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THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship ASIA, 1,765 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander A. Goat, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the October 1873, at 4 P.M.

	October 1873.		October 1873.
Bombay	4	Tuticorin	12
Ratnagiry	5	Colombo	13
Mangalore	5	Galle	14
Goa	6	Negapatam	17
Carwar	6	Pondicherry	18
Mangalore	7	Madras	20
Cannanore	8	Coconada	21
Tellicherry	8	Vizagapatam	23
Calicut	9	Bimlipatam	23
Beypore	9	Chittagong	25
Cochin	10	False Point	25
Aden	26	Arrive CALCUTTA	27

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked via Penang on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle by the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherry District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail. Passengers for Calcutta may take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Busreh, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BHAREIN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s.s. BURMAH, 1,081 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander T. Sanders, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 10th October 1873, at 2 P.M.

	Oct. 1873.		Oct. 1873.
Leave BOMBAY	10	Leave BUSREH	29
" Kurrachee	14	" Fao	29
" Gwadur	15	" Koweit	30
" Muscat	17	" Bushire	31
" Bunder Abbas	19		Nov.
" Linga	21	" Linga	1
" Bahrein	23	" Bunder Abbas	7
" Bushire	25	" Muscat	9
" Kaab	26	" Gwadur	11
" Mahomerah	25	" Kurrachee	14
Arrive BUSREH	26	Arrive BOMBAY	17

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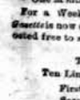
STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the Fair Season despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, and an Extra Steamer every MONDAY, at 2 o'clock.

The Steam-ship EUPHRATES, 803 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander J. Melville, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 29th September 1873, at 2 P.M., and will call at Mandvie in the Gulf of Kutch.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander G. M. Betts, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 3rd October 1873, at 2 P.M.

The Steam-ship PENANG, 698 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander F. Cotton, R. N. R. will be despatched on MONDAY, the 6th October 1873, at 2 P.M.

The Steam-ship BURMAH, 1,081 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander T. Sanders, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 10th October 1873, at 2 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

SURAT AND GOGO FERRY.

STEAM FERRY (under Contract with Government).—A STEAM FERRY BOAT PLIES between SURAT and GOGO.

FARES BETWEEN SURAT AND GOGO.

First Class	Rs. 5 0 0
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Third Class	" 2 0 0
Horses	" 4 0 0
Carriages	" 4 0 0

DEPARTURE FROM SURAT.

TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY.

DEPARTURE FROM GOGO.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY.

THE STEAMER WILL PROCEED TO BHOWNUGGER EVERY SATURDAY AND LEAVE THAT PORT EVERY MONDAY MORNING.

Further particulars can be learnt on application to the undermentioned Agents—

SYED COOTBOODIN, at Surat.
DINKER NARRAYEN, at Gogo.

Or to the undersigned at Bombay.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

No. 33, Medows Street, Bombay, 2nd September 1873.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES per s.s. MURIEL.—The s.s. MURIEL, having arrived from Liverpool under General Averages, occasioned by damage received in the Mersey, which stove in the Vessel's bows and filled the fore-compartment with water, necessitating the unlocking of the Steamer and the landing of the Cargo, CONSIGNEES are requested to sign the Average Bond, to produce Invoices, and to pay a deposit of Two and a Half per Cent. on the Declared Value of their Goods, after which the Undersigned will grant Delivery Orders.

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents, s.s. Muriel.

Bombay, 24th September 1873.

MORDAN'S ENGRAVED POSTAGE SCALES.—A Consignment of the above just received, consisting of PORCELAIN TABLETS ENGRAVED with RATES OF INDIAN POSTAGE on Walnut Stands, with English weights to 8 oz., and Indian to 16 tolahs.

Price in Box complete, NETT..... Rs. 28.

By use of these Scales mistakes in Stamping of Letters may be avoided

THACKER, VINING, & Co.

ADVERTISING AT RAILWAY STATIONS.

THE Proprietor of the "Bombay Gazette" Press having leased (among other privileges) from the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, and the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Company, the exclusive right of advertising at all the Railway Stations belonging to those two Companies, is prepared to contract with parties desirous of posting Notices or Advertisements on the lines.

The announcements may be in English or in any of the Native languages.

The advantages which Railway Stations present as a means of bringing intimations of all kinds before the Public have been demonstrated in England by the extensive use which is made by Advertisers, of every station, great and small, along every line in the United Kingdom.

Insurance Companies, Shipping Companies, Hotel-keepers, Merchants, Traders, and others who wish to force their business on the notice of the Public, all alike value the privilege of Railway Station Advertising.

There is no reason why the privilege should not be also specially valuable to Advertisers in India. Looking to the great and increasing number of Native Railway Passengers on the two trunk lines of Western India, native merchants, traders, &c., seeing that they have the privilege of advertising in their own language, would find the publication of their announcement at Railway Stations a decided means of extending their business.

And as nearly All Travellers arriving in India now land at Bombay, and proceed by the G. I. P. or B. B. and C. I. Railways to their destination, Placards exhibited at the different stations on those lines are every day becoming more and more valuable as means of bringing the Advertisers' business to the notice of the Public.

Advertisers can select the Stations, on either line, at which they wish their Placards posted, and may advertise for any period that may be agreed on. The charges have been fixed on an extremely moderate scale to encourage Advertisers to make a liberal use of the new means now offered of making announcements known to the Public

Placards, according to the taste of Advertisers, may be printed at the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

FRAUD.

On the 27th June, 1866, MOTEEWALLAH, a Printer, was convicted at the Supreme Court, Calcutta, of counterfeiting the

LABELS

Of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL,

London, and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Phear to TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT;

And on the 30th of the same month, for

SELLING SPURIOUS ARTICLES

Bearing Labels in imitation of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL'S, Shaik Bachoo was sentenced, by the Suburban Magistrate at Sealdah, to

TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT.

CAUTION.—Any one selling *spurious Oilmen's Stores*, under Crosse and Blackwell's name, will be liable to the same punishment, and will be vigorously prosecuted. Purchasers are recommended to examine all goods carefully upon taking delivery of them, and to destroy all bottles and jars when emptied. The GENUINE Manufactures, the Corks of which are all branded with Crosse and Blackwell's name, may be had from every respectable dealer in India.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Monday, the 6th October, 1873, at 3 P.M., from Masagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. BEHAR, (1,723 Tons, and 300 H.P.), Captain W. E. Dundas, will leave for SUEZ, as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Venice, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Messina, Naples, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Ancona, Havre, Liverpool, London and New York.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Masagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Masagon, at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEO. F. HENRY,
Superintendent.

Bombay, 26th September 1873.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 7th October, at 3 P.M., from Masagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. ZAMBESI, (2,422 tons and 400 H.P.,) Capt. G. F. Cates, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not indorsed in the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 4th October.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 22nd September 1873.

DIRECT STEAMERS VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE PENINSULAR and ORIENTAL COMPANY propose to DESPATCH their LARGEST STEAMERS from SOUTHAMPTON to INDIA DIRECT, via the SUEZ CANAL, as follows :—

PESHAWUR	3,782 Tons, September 25th,	to Calcutta,
AUSTRALIA	3,648 Tons, October 2nd,	to Bombay,
PEKIN	3,777 Tons, " 9th,	to Calcutta,
DECCAN	3,121 Tons, " 16th,	to Bombay,
MIRZAPORE	3,763 Tons, " 23rd,	to Calcutta,
KHEDIVE	3,742 Tons, " 30th,	to Bombay,
DELHI	3,178 Tons, November 6th,	to Calcutta,

And others to follow :

PASSAGE MONEY TO BOMBAY

FIRST CLASS	£66
SECOND CLASS	£36

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 20th September 1873.

S. S. POTOMAC'S GENERAL AVERAGE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.—The GENERAL AVERAGE STATEMENT is now READY, and can be seen on application. Consignees will be paid the balance of their Deposits on production of the Deposit Receipt to

THOMAS LIDBETTER,
Average Adjuster and Notary Public.

Apollo Street.

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD and COMPANY,
2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

SALE OF BUSHIRE ASSAFŒTIDA.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, in Hornby Row, in the house next to Mr. Jairam Rewjee's, by order of Mogul Hajee Mahomed Esmail Kalmay and others, and on account and at the risk of Hajee Moolla Goolam :—

63 packages Bushire Assafœtida.

USUAL AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY next, the 29th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms.

5 bales Grey Shirtings, 36 to 40 lbs.
2 cases White Stripe Dhotées.
3 " Black Sarees.
3 Cases Wood Screws of various sizes and thickness.

A quantity of first-class superior Electro-plated ware, consisting of tea and coff e sets, tea urns, toast racks, beer mugs, biscuit boxes, butter coolers, &c.

On account of the concerned, ex s.s. Tanjore—

CEP—1 Case China Crackers.		
NFFLC—3	"	ditto
LC—4	"	ditto
NFLC—2—3	"	ditto
FC—2	"	ditto
CCEP—1 double Case China Crackers.		
CEPINFLCI—2 Cases	"	"

SALE OF RANGOON GRAM

On TUESDAY next, the 30th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Carnac Bunder, by order of Marwaree Jeymarayen Sitaram, and on account and at the risk of the first purchaser, Sha Nupoo Neney ex Temuli—

1,145 bags Rangoon Gram.

25 percent. deposit will be required at the time of sale.

CRAWFORD and Co.

Bombay, 27th September 1873.

MERJEE, JOHNSTON, & CO.,
No. 28, APOLLO STREET.

Messrs. MERJEE JOHNSTON & Co., Auctioneers, will on FRIDAY, the 3rd day of October 1873, by order of the Official Assignee and Assignee of the Estate of Abdoola Esaji, a Bankrupt, Public Auction at their Sale Room, the right, title, and interest of the said Abdoola Esaji, the insolvent, in the following properties :—

1st ly. All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground, together with messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house, situate, lying and being on the west side of 2nd Dan Tar Row, in the registration sub-district of Mandvee, admeasuring 15 feet in breadth and eighty feet in length, or thereabout, and assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 271, and by the Collector of House Assessment until lately under No. 21, and now under No. 20 ; and bounded on east by the 2nd Dan Tar Row, on the west by the sweeper's passage, on the north by the house of Cassum Dossa, and on the south by the house of Fazell Jaffer, or the property secondly hereinafter described, and the said property was formerly in the occupation of Hajee Jaffer Abdoola, Hajee Essa and Essa Fazell and now in the occupation of Abdoola Hajee Essa and his tenants.

2dly. All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate, lying, and being on the west side of Don Tar 2nd Row, in the registration sub-district of Mandvee in the Island of Bombay, admeasuring in breadth, 15 feet 6 inches, and in length 81 feet or thereabout, and assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 271, and by the collector of House Assessment until lately under No. 20, and now under No. 19 ; and bounded on the east by Don Tar 2nd Row, on the west by the sweepers passage, on the north by the house of Faz l Haje Jaffer, and on the south by a passage dividing the house of Memon Ismail Fazel ; and which said premises were formerly in the occupation of Hajee Fazl Hajee Jaffer, Hajee Essa Hajee Fazel, and Hajee Abdoola Hajee Essa, and now in the occupation of Hajee Abdoola Hajee Essa and his tenants.

3dly. All that piece or parcel of Fazundaree land of which Bhoo Mudjoojee is Fa undar, with messuage, tenement, or building, situate, lying in the west side of Lohar Chalee ar Wojadaree, in Mahim, in the registration sub-district of Mazagon, in the Island of Bombay, and assessed by the Collector of House Assessment under No. 32.

4thly. All other the moveable or immoveable property of the said Hajee Fazel Hajee Jaffer, Hajee Essa Hajee Fazel, and of the said Abdoola Hajee Essa, or either of them vested remainder man, reversion or in expectance who soever, known or unknown to the official Assignee and Assignee of the estate of the said Hajee Abdoola Hajee Esaji.

The above will be sold in one Lot.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply at the office of the official Assignee, High Court, or to the undersigned.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.

Bombay, 27th September 1873.

JOYCE'S
SPORTING AMMUNITION.
Established 1820.

The attention of Sportsmen is invited to the following Ammunition, of the best quality, now in general use throughout England, India, and the Colonies.

JOYCE'S TREBLE WATERPROOF CENTRAL FIRE PERCUSSION CAPS,
Chemically-prepared Cloth and Felt Gun and Wadding.
JOYCE'S GAS-TIGHT CARTRIDGES,
For Fin-fire and Central-fire Breech-loading Guns.
Wire Cartridges for killing Game at long distances.
AND EVERY DESCRIPTION OF SPORTING AMMUNITION.
Sold by all Gunmakers and Dealers in Gunpowder.
FREDERICK JOYCE & Co.,
Patentees and Manufacturers.
57, UPPER THAMES STREET, LONDON.

MANUFACTURERS BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT TO H.M.'S NAVY, AT THE ROYAL VICTORIA YARD, DEPTFORD.

D. HOGARTH & CO'S CELEBRATED
PRESERVED PROVISIONS,
READY FOR IMMEDIATE USE,

Real Turtle,
Mock Turtle, Hare,
Ox Tail, Mulligatawny,
Palestine Soups, Scotch Salmon,
Salmon Cutlets, Kippered Salmon,
Herrings, Mackerel, Findon Haddocks,
Lobsters, Oysters, Sardines, Preserved Meats of all kinds, York Hams, Bacon, Truffled Pates,
Oxford Sausages, Bologna Sausages,
Pickles, Sauces, Bottled Fruits,
Table Jellies, Jams, Jellies,
Scotch Marmalades,
Dessert Fruits.

To be had of all respectable Storekeepers.

PRICE LISTS FORWARDED ON APPLICATION TO
D. HOGARTH & CO.,
"BON ACCORD" WHARF,
223, WAPPING, LONDON, AND AT ABERDEEN.

LIVER PILLS FOR INDIA AND THE COLONIES.

DR. KING'S DANDELION and QUININE LIVER PILLS (without Mercury), are the best remedy for Bile, Wind, Indigestion, Sick Headache, Spasms, Giddiness, Heartburn, Nervousness, Gout, and all disorders of the Stomach and Liver. They combine mildness in operation with the most admirable effects, and as an aperient cannot be surpassed. Manufactured by JAS. RORKE, 47, Mortimer Street, London, W., and sold all over the World by most Chemists and Medicine Vendors, at 1s. 1½d., 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., and 11s.

MACFARLANE'S CASTINGS.
ARCHITECTURAL, SANITARY, AND ARTISTIC.

GLASGOW.	LONDON.
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New Works.—Possilpark, Glasgow.

See Fifth Edition of Catalogue, containing 3,500 new designs in Rain Water Goods, Verandahs, Columns & Lamps, Railing and Gates, Conservatories, School Fittings, Tomb Railing, Covered Ways, Washhand Basins, Terminals, Balconies, Closets and Urinals, Cresting, Fountains, Baths and Troughs.

ORNAMENTAL CASTINGS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Orders must be accompanied by a remittance or reference to a firm in England.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE DELHI AND LONDON BANK (LIMITED) grants LOANS and CASH CREDITS on approved PERSONAL and other SECURITIES on the usual Terms.

Loans on Personal Securities, repayable by Monthly Instalments, must be covered by a Life Policy.

For further particulars apply to the MANAGER at DELHI.

NATIONAL BANK of INDIA (Limited).—NOTICE.—A DIVIDEND for the HALF-YEAR ended 30TH JUNE 1873, at the rate of SIX per CENT. per ANNUM, or Rs. 3-12-0 per SHARE, will be PAYABLE on or after MONDAY, the 29th instant, to the PROPRIETORS registered in the Books of the Bank on the 15th instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
WM. A. BAKER,
Acting Manager.

Bombay, 26th September 1873.

BYCULLA CLUB.—A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the CLUB will be HELD on SATURDAY, the 4th October 1873, at 5-3) P.M.

W. WEBB,
Honorary Secretary.

26th September 1873.

THE Undermentioned, being DEBTORS to the late Firm of JEFFERSON, CAMPBELL, & Co., OFFERS will be received by the Attorneys to the Inspectors of the Estate for the purchase of the several Claims.

Full particulars can be obtained on application at the Offices of the Attorneys, No. 26, Meadow Street, Bombay.

BALCRISHNA SITTARAM & Co.
JAITHA MALLJEE & Co.
KUSSONDAS MADHOWDAS.
WASSUDEW CRUSTNA SENOY.
And several other Native Firms.

BOMBAY, BARODA, & CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

Undersigned is prepared to receive TENDERS up to October 12th for the CONSTRUCTION of the BRANCH RAILWAY, 161 Miles in length, from ANAND to SIMLUJ, in the Vicinity of Dakore.

Plans, Specifications, and Conditions can be seen in the Office of the CHIEF RESIDENT ENGINEER, where also Forms of Tender, on which only Tenders can be received, can be obtained.

Undersigned is not prepared to accept the lowest or any Tender.

CHARLES CURREY,
Agent, B. B. & C. I. Railway Company.

Bombay, 26th September 1873.

TENDERS will be received by the Acting Superintendent of Marine, up to 1 P.M., on FRIDAY, the 10th October 1873, for the SUPPLY of a STEAM VESSEL of from 1,500 to 2,000 Tons, for one month certain, for the conveyance of Europeans and Native Troops, Horses, Stores, &c., between Bombay and Ports on the west coast of India, to be ready for final survey on the 29th October 1873, and to embark the Troops at Bombay on the 1st November next, at which 10 days will be discharged on completion of the duty, Government finding provisions and water for the Troops.

Tenders to specify the daily consumption of Coal of the Vessel tendered when steaming at an average rate of 8 knots per hour and the rate per ton at which the Coal will be supplied by the Vessel, Government reserving to itself the option of either supplying the Coal or paying for such quantity as may be expended.

The Vessel will be required to provide ventilation and make such fittings between decks as may be approved by Surveyors, and if necessary to be docked.

The expense attending Stamp Fees to be affixed to Charter-parties will be to Counterparts (of Vessels taken up) to be borne by the Owners, Agents, or Masters tendering.

The Agent for Transports will furnish any further necessary information to parties tendering.

By Order of the Acting Superintendent of Marine,
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 26th September 1873.

JOHN CRAWFORD VAUGHAN JOHNSON, Deceased. Pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Victoria, Chap. 35, Intituled "An Act to further amend the Law of Property and to relieve Trustees," NOTICE is hereby given, that all Creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the Estate of JOHN CRAWFORD VAUGHAN JOHNSON, late of Bombay, in India, Esq., Registrar of the Small Causes Court, Bombay, who died on the 20th day of April, 17, and whose Will was proved in the Principal Registry of Her Majesty's Court of Probate on the 30th day of June, 1873, by Duncan Rebb King and Francis Banni ter, the Executors named in the Will, are hereby required to send in particulars, in writing, of such debts, claims, or demands, to us, the Undersigned, as Solicitors to the said Executors, on or before the 1st day of January, 1874, after which date the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Testator among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claim of which they shall then have had notice, and that the said Executors will not be liable to any person or persons for the assets so distributed of whose debts they shall not then have had notice.—Dated this 19th day of August 1873.

E. and F. BANNISTER and PACHE, 13, John Street, Bedfordrow, London, Solicitors for the said Executors.

SPECTACLES! SPECTACLES!!
RUST PREVENTED.

DOLLOND'S Nickle-plated STEEL SPECTACLES, to prevent Rusting, are now being made especially for India, with GLASSES of ALL SHADES, from 7s. 6d. each.

DOLLOND'S Pocket Anercids, £3 3s. and £3 10s.

Field Glasses, Telescopes, Prismatic Compasses, &c., &c.

1, LUDGATE HILL, LONDON.

N.B.—Goods can now be sent by Indian Parcel Post for 1s. 4d. per lb.

SHERIFF'S PROCLAMATION.—HIGH COURT.

Suit No. 80 of 1873.

JETHA BHIMA, GOOLBA ANUNDA, GOOLBA JUGGA, and AKBA PRAGGA, all of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitants, residing as ar the Dubash, Hindoo Inhabitants, residing as ar the Dubash, Hindoo Inhabitants, residing as ar the Dubash

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

EXCHANGE on London closed for the mail at almost the same dates as those quoted yesterday, the rise in the rate of discount at the Bank of England to four per cent., received by this morning telegrams, having been anticipated, there was no material change, excepting in some instances short dated bills commanding better prices.

Government Securities are the same, but our quotations are almost nominal, as there is very little enquir.

Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	1s. 10 13/16d.
Credit Bills, do.	1s. 10 15/16d.
Documents, do.	1s. 11d.
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight	1s. 10 3/16d. to 19/32.
Credit, do.	1s. 10¼d.
Documents, do.	1s. 10 13/16d.
Bank Bills, demand	1s. 10 13/32d.
On Calcutta Bank Bills, 60 days' sight	99½ to 5/16.
Do demand	100½ to 100 3/16.
On Madras 30 days' sight	99½
Do. demand	99 15/16
On China House Bills, 60 days' sight, 223 to 223½.	

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent.	110½ to ½
Four & half per cent.	106 3/8
Four per cent.	104½
Four & half per cent. (Public Works Loan)	106
Five per cent. Debenture Loan, 1866-67	103½
15 years' Debenture Loans	103½
10 years' do. do.	103
5 years' do. do.	103
Six per cent. Municipal Loan House Rate	112
Do. Do. Market Rate	112
New French Loan 5 per cent. fully paid up of 1871 and 1872	92
New French Loan instalment paper of 1872	94
Paris Municipal Loan (Debenture Rs. 117) per Bond	115.

Rates of Discount at New Bank of Bombay—

Loans on Government Paper on demand			4½ per cent
Fixed Loans on	do.	to 3 months'	5½ ,,
Do.	do.	over 3 do.	6½ ,,
Do.	on Merchandize		7½ ,,
Cash Credit	do.	to 3 months'	6½ ,,
Do.	do.	over 3 do.	6½ ,,
Do.	do.		7½ ,,
Bank Bills			6½ ,,
Mercantile Paper			8½ ,,

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs. 10-9-0
Carolus	290
Mexican Dollars	222
Five-France Pieces	224½
Bar Silver	107½ to 107¾
Gold Leaf	16-12
Bar Gold 10 oz. English 100 touch	16-14
Australian Gold 100 touch	16-13

FREIGHT REPORT.

London	Cotton, Cases, Seeds	No ships.
Liverpool	from Ships Cotton	£2 5s. 0d. nominal
	Wooden Ships	£2 0s. 0d. nominal.
	Myrabolams	£1 15s. 0d. nominal.
	Coir bds	£0 15s. 0d. nominal.
	Seeds	£2 0s. 0d.
Havre	Cotton, Coffee	No ship.
Overland Steamers—		
London		£3 5s. 0d.
Venice		£3 0s. 0d.
Trieste		£2 15s. 0d. nom.
Liverpool		£2 15s. 0d.
Havre Cotton		£2 15s. 0d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal	Wheat	£2 10s. 0d.
	Seeds	£2 10s. 0d.
	Cotton	£2 10s. 0d.
	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 22 per ton.
China	,, Opium	Rs. 25 to 30 per chest.
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 4 per bale nominal
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 25 per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 15 port charges.
Mauritius		Nothing doing.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

FRIDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

MARKET firm for Spinning shares. Bank of Bombay firm. Colaba shares continued dull.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value of each Sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	93
72,000	1,000	all	6 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,415
10,000	500	all	12 p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	760
1 ,000	500	100	12 p.ct.	Do 2nd Res. Issue	263½ xd
8,250	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,120
10,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	275
40,000	281½	all	12 p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	45 pm.
40,000	200	all	22½ p.ct.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	150
80,000	250	125	4 p.ct.	National Bank of India	125
10,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	495

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	21 9 0	p.c	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	257
.....	£20	10 9 1	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	196
.....	£20	42 10 7	do.	Ditto	
.....	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,125
.....	£18	19 5 7	d.	Do. New Shares	

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

620	1,250	all	112 p.c.	Alexandra Spinning	1,350 xd
500	2,500	all	140*	Alliance Spinning	2,650
300	2,000	all		Bhowanygur M. & F. Co.	1,800
900	1,000	all	60*	Bombay United	1,200
1,600	150	150	25*	Broach Mills	255
2,500	2,000	all	6 p.c.	Dharumsey Spinning	1,610
750	2,000	all	200 p.c.	Great Eastern	2,275
750	1,000	all	75 p.c.	Jowraj Ballo Mills	1,155
2,500	1,000	all		Manockji Petit's	1,150 xd
900	1,000	a	40 p.c.	Morarjee Spinning	1,200
800	2,500	all	150 p.c.	Oriental	3,425
480	2,500	400	200 p.c.	Royal	2,000
500	1,000	1 all	...	Soomerdas Spinning	1,280

* Per share for the half-year.

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of Liquidation.		
.....	95	19½	...	Bank of China
.....	250	2	Mar. '66	Central Bank
.....	...	...	... *	East India Bank
.....	200	13	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula
.....	200	70½	May '67	Royal Bank

SALES AND PURCHASES.

PIECE GOODS.

The market closed steady without alteration in prices. The following sales are reported to have been made by European firms yesterday :—

750	pieces	Grey Shirtings	40 in. 39 yds. 6 lbs.	Rs.	4 4 0
500	,,	,,	40 in. 39 yds. 6 lbs.	,,	4 4 0
1,250	,,	,,	,,com 40 in. 39 yds. 6 lbs.	,,	4 0 0
500	,,	T. Cloths	29 in. 21 yds. 6 lbs	,,	3 10 0
400	,,	White Jaconets	40 in. 20 yds.	,,	2 4 0
400	,,	,,	40 in. 21 yds.	,,	2 8 0
400	,,	,,	40 in. 20 yds.	,,	2 12 0
400	,,	,,	40 in. 20 yds.	,,	3 0 0
400	,,	,,	40 in. 20 yds.	,,	3 4 0

COTTON.

Reuter's telegram of yesterday's date reports the Liverpool and London markets as closing dull, with Surats weaker. Fair Dhollerah is still quoted at 6¾, per lb., Oomrawuttee at 6¼d., Broach at 7d., Tinnevelly at 6⅝d., Dharwar 7d., and Mid Orleans at 9 3/16d. There is a decline of ⅛d. in Broach and Dharwar, and 1/16d. in Oomrawuttee. Sales of the day amount to 12,000 bales, of which 3,000 were Surats, and of which 2,000 were on speculation and for exports. The receipts on the day at Liverpool are given at 4,000 bales and those at U. S. ports at 5,000. The market for coffee is reported weakcr. A payment into the Bank of England of £172,000 is reported, but the same message states that the directors have raised the Bank's rate of discount to 4 per cent. The Bank's returns for the week ending 24th instant show a decrease of £62,500 in the reserve of notes, of £312,500 in bullion, and an increase of £125,000 in the bills discounted. Exchange on Bombay is quoted at 1s. 10 3/8d. and on Calcutta at 1s. 10⅛d. The Manchester market is reported very dull. The cotton market here closed dull and prices have, in consequence of the decline in the Indian staples at Liverpool, given way about Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per candy. The following are our closing rates :—

Dholleras & Bhownuggur	Rs. 193	to Rs.	195
Oomrawuttee	,, 194	to ,,	196
Akote	,, 200		
Broach M. G.	,, 195	to ,,	205
Hingunghat	,, 213	to ,,	215
Sawgimeel	,, 200	to ,,	202
Compta & Vingoria	,, 182	to ,,	184

The undermentioned purchases are reported to have taken place yesterday :—

50	candies	Vingoria	at Rs. 184
50	,,	,,	at ,, 183
200	,,	Khandeish	at ,, 180 to 184½
50	,,	Vingoria	at ,, 185

YARNS.

The maket continues very dull, and there is almost nothing doing. Coloured and Turkey Red are however steady, and prices are well maintained. The following sale was yesterday effected by a native firm :—

9,000 lbs. Mollo No. 40 to 60's ..... 15½ to 19½ as. per lb.

METALS.

The market remains firm, but there is almost nothing doing from first hands on account of higher prices asked.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

Statement of Traffic, week ending 20th September 1873.

	Open 1,266¼ Miles.	Rs. a. p.
Coaching		92,597 13 0
Merchandize		1,39,729 0 0
Electric Telegraph		987 12 0
Municipal Trains, &c.		620 0 0
	Total Rs.	2,33,134 15 0
Corresponding week last year, open 1,266¼ miles	Total Rs.	1,97,477 7 8
	Increase Rs.	35,657 7 4

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
25	Zamboei (s)	Cates	Suez, Sept. 12.
26	Burmah (s)	Sanders	Kurrachee, Sept. 23.

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
26	Mooltan (s)	Fentiman	Aden and Suez.
	India (s)	Henderson	P. Gulf via Kurrachee

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday :—

The barque Tamar, Mitchell, to Java.
Barque Victor, Pond, to Muscat.
The following vessels were entered out for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Zambesi, to China, &c.
Steamer Behar, to Aden and Suez.
Steamer Muriel, to Liverpool,

MADRAS.

Sept.	DEPARTURE.	
23	Agra	Calcutta.

DAILY IMPORTS.—26TH SEPTEMBER.

FROM LONDON.

Caradoc, s, 1 case hardware, Scundy Breslauer & Co ; 1 case perpumery, J. B. Pereira.
Zambesi, s, 9 cases oilmanstores, Hajee Esmail Fazul.
Lady Lawren , 50 cases brandy, Jamsetjee Nowrojee, 13 casks pain e, Jamasjee Manchorjee Moola ; 1 case earthenwar : W. and A. Graham & Co ; 1 case cotton wicks, Hassom Allarukhia & Co.
British Sceptre, 10 casks ink, Surufally Moosabhoy.

FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

Mooltan, s, 4 cases cochineal, Currumchund Premchund.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Burdigala, 10 cases claret, Comptoir d'Escompt de Paris.

FROM GENOA.

Persia, s, 1 case wig, Paul Powis ; 2 casks claret, H. Gaignoux ; 51 cases brandy, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

DAILY EXPORTS.—26TH SEPTEMBER.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Muriel, s, 354 bags wheat, Finlay Scott & Co.

FOR LONDON.

Mooltan, s, 24 bundles E. teeth, Cupoorchund Canjee ; 55 pieces E. teeth, Mahomedjee Khanbhoy.

FOR GENOA.

Persia, s, 1,483 bags gingelly seed, Alsen Riebe & Co ; 800 bags gingelly seed and 9 casks castor oil, Volkart Brothers.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Persia, s, 400 bags gingelly seed, Alsen Riebe & Co.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—SEPTEMBER 21.

Goldie, Captain, Madras Staff Corps, on leave, from Nagpore.
Hastings, Surg, Madras Med. Dep., on leave, from Nagpore.

SEPTEMBER 25.

Coman, Lt.-Col., 8th the King's Regt., to appear before a medica Board, from Cawapore.
Ouchterlony, Major, Madras Royal Artillery, on leave from Bangalore.
Wilton, Captain, Madras Police, on furlough, from Madras.
Balfour, Surg.-Genl., Madras Med. Dep., to join, from England
Thom, Dy. Surg.-Genl., on medical duty, from England.
Marryat, Captain, Royal Engrs., from sick leave, from England.
Hancock, Captain, Political Dept., from furlough, from England.

SEPTEMBER 26.

Moon, Ensign, Comst. Dept., on leave, from Kurrachee.
Hogg, Captain, Poona Horse, on furlough from Seroor.

DEPARTURES—SEPTEMBER 26.

Mayne, Lieut., 3rd Light Cav., on duty, to Neemuch.
Tanner, Captain, 72nd Highlanders, on leave, to England.
Rosch, Lieut., 65th Regt., on sick leave, to England.
Nugent, Lieut., Royal Artillery, on sick leave to England.
Gore, Major, 83rd Regt., on sick leave, to England.
Ouchterlony, Major, Royal Artillery, on leave to England.
Wilton, Captain, Madras Police, on furlough, to England.
Werge, Lieut., 2nd Belooches, on duty, to Poona.
Balfour, Surg.-Genl., Madras Medl. Dep., to rejoin, to Madras.
Yates, Captain, Khandeish Police, on med certificate to England.
Phillips, Lt.-Col., Madras Staff Corps, on furlough, to England.
Wetherall, Lieut., Staff Corps, on furlough, to England.
Hogg, Captain, Poona Horse, on furlough, to England.
Chalon, Captain, Madras 3rd Cavalry, on med. cert. to England,

POONA DIVISION ORDERS.

BY MAJOR-GENERAL J T GRANT, C B COMMANDING P. D. A.

Poona, 24th September, 1873.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave :—
3rd Hussars—Capt J Cooke, from 15th to 30th Sept 1873 privilege leave.
With reference to G O C No 581 of the 20th instant, Lieut Beale, 3rd Queen's, will proceed and re-join his Regt at Belgaum.
The undermentioned officers have obtained privilege leave :—
68th L I.—Surg-Major R W Meadows, M D, from 29th Sept to 10th October, 1873.
83rd Regt—Surg W Geoghegan, from 8th to 27th Sept 1873.

MADRAS GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Fort St. George Gazette*, Sept. 24.)

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave of absence :—
Col F Priestley, Supt of Revenue Survey, privilege leave for two months.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

The Right Honourable the Governor in Council has been pleased to make the following appointment :—
Surg Robert Vincent Power, M A and M D, to officiate as Health Officer and Supt of the Lock Hospital, Madras, without prejudice to his regimental appointment, during the absence of Mr Stanbrough on privilege leave, or until further orders.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr E C G Thomas, District and Sessions Judge of Vizagapatam, resumed charge of the Court from Mr A Cruickshank on the forenoon of the 11th instant.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Ootacamund, 19th September 1873.

The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe :—
Lt S A Wetherall, of the General List, 2nd Wing Sub 20th Regt N I, on furlough on private affairs for two years, under the Regulations of 1868, and to embark from Madras.
With reference to the General Order issued by the Government of Bombay, No 574, dated 1st Sept 1873, permitting Capt H Coningham of the 20th Regt N I, to proceed to Europe on medical certificate, that officer is granted furlough on medical certificate for two years under the Regulations of 1868, with effect from the 28th Aug 1873.
The following promotions are made, subject to Her Majesty's approval :—

GENERAL LIST, INFANTRY.

Lt S L Hunt (Capt in S C), to have the position of Cap, vice Beaumont, Cadre 1st Mad Fusiliers, retired. Dated 9th Aug 1873.
Lt (Bt. Capt) Henry Leacock Berkley to be Capt, vice Armstrong, Cadre 41st N I, deceased. Dated 6th September 1873.

GENERAL LIST, CAVALRY.

Lt Charles May Allen Morant to be Capt by Bt, from the 20th Sept 1873.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.

Maj William Henry White having completed twenty-six years' service, to be Lt.-Col, from the 22nd Sept 1873.

HYDERABAD CONTINGENT.

1st Infantry.

Surg A F Dobson, M D, of the Madras Medical Department, attached to the 40th Madras Regt of N I, to officiate in medical charge, vice Surg W M Courtney, and during the absence on furlough to Europe of Surg E C McVittie, or until further orders.

POSTAL NOTICES.

CHINA MAILS.

The China Mail Steamers, for the second half of the current year, will leave Bombay as follows :—

	4 P.M.		4 P.M.
Tuesday	Oct. 7	Tuesday	Dec. 2
,,	,, 21	,,	,, 16
,,	Nov. 18	,,	,, 30
,,	,, 4	,,	Jan. 13

Registered letters will be received until 12 P.M. on the respective days.

AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

Dates of departure from Bombay of the Australian Mail Steamers for the remaining months of the present year :—

Saturday	Oct. 18	Saturday	Nov. 15
,,	,, 18	,,	Dec. 13

POSTAGE ON LETTERS FOR ZANZIBAR.

Under a Treasury Warrant received from Her Majesty's Post Master General, the postage on letters for Zanzibar forwarded via Bombay to Aden by the Mail Steamers of the P. and O. S. N. Company, and thence by the B. I. S. N. Company's Vessels, is increased from 4 annas to 8 annas per half ounce.

2. Prepayment in full by this route is compulsory.

3. Letters forwarded by this route and by the continuation of the line to Mozambique, Delagoa Bay, Natal, and the Cape of Good Hope, will also be subject to an increase from 4 annas to 8 annas per half ounce.

4. Prepayment in full by this route is compulsory.

5. Letters forwarded by this route can be registered only for Natal and the Cape of Good Hope, the registration fee being 4 annas per cover.

Mails will be despatched as under :—

Monday	Oct. 27	Monday	Nov. 24

LETTERS.—There are six deliveries in Bombay every day : at 8 A.M., 10 A.M., 11-30 A.M., 12-30 P.M., 2 P.M., and 5 P.M. The inland post goes out at 8 A.M., for Khandeish, Malwa, Berar Central Provinces, Punjaub, N. W. Provinces, and Bengal, and all post towns on the north-east line of the G. I. P. Railway; for Poona, Southern Maratha Country, and Madras Presidency at 11-30 A.M.; and for Scinde, Kattywar, and Cutch at 4 A.M.; for the South Eastern line as far as Poona, 7-30 A.M. The Overland Mail for England is despatched every Friday evening at 5 o'clock, and closes at 3-30 o'clock. Late packets are received, on payment of extra postage, up till 4-30 P.M. at Apollo Punder. Postage on inland letters not exceeding ½ tolah ½ anna, 1 tolah 1 anna, 1½ tolah 2 annas, 2 tolahs 2 annas; on foreign letters not exceeding 1 ounce via Brindisi 8 annas, 1 ounce Re. 1 ; via Southampton not exceeding ½ ounce 6 annas, 1 ounce 12 annas.

TO RESIDENTS OF POONA.

RESIDENTS of Poona may obtain the *Bombay Gazette* DAILY at Messrs. THACKER & Co.'s, or Messrs. PHILLIPS & Co.'s, POONA, price, 4 annas. Also, on Saturdays the INDIAN EDITION of the *Bombay Gazette Overland Summary*, containing all the news of the week, the Telegrams received from Europe during the week, and the Special London Correspondence, Political, Commercial, and Sporting, published in the Daily *Bombay Gazette*.

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Per Annum	Rs	10 0
Per Copy	,,	0 4

BOMBAY CHORAL FESTIVAL.

The above Festival will be held (D. V.) on MONDAY, Sept. 29th, (Michaelmas Day) in S. Thomas' Cathedral.
Full Choral Evensong at 6 P.M. with Sermon.
The Offertory (after defraying the expenses of the Festival) will be devoted to the *Organ Fund*, for which money is much wanted, the repairs during the past year having cost no less than Rs. 1,400.
Complete Books of Music and Words may be purchased at Scundy and Co.'s, Thacker and Vining's, or at the S. P. C. K. Depot, Cathedral Vestry. Price 4 annas.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS ONE RUPEE, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTHS.

BLANDY—September 16th, at Belgaum, the wife of W. P. Blandy, Lieut. R. A., of a son.
SCOTT—September 23th, at Chinchpoogly, the wife of Walter Scott, of a son.

EUROPE.

BIRTH.

WILSON—August 31st, at Bowden, Cheshire, the wife of Thomas Wilson, Esq., late of this city, of a daughter.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

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The Bombay Gazette.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1873.

THE best thing that can be done with an unprofitable business is to turn it over to a joint stock company. This is one of the uses of joint-stockery. The chief thing necessary is to get one's friends to point out that the business is capable of being made highly remunerative if well attended to, and if some guarantee be given that a certain high percentage of profits will be paid, all that remains is to get the public sufficiently interested to invest their capital in the new concern, and the transformation is complete.

When joint-stockery is in season, or when it betrays the character of an epidemic very little persuasion is necessary to turn a failing private business into a public company. When such seasonal influences prevail it is astonishing how little inquiry even ordinarily shrewd people will make into the history of the concern in which they are invited to sink their capital. It never occurs to such people to ask themselves why the far-seeing Jones should be desirous to share a considerable portion of the profits of his peat-bog or mill with Smith, Brown, and Robinson, who know nothing about bogs and mills. These investors in joint-stockery are satisfied with being told that the money-making and always successful Bragojee has taken a number of shares in the bog or the mill; they are sure he would never invest unless he felt certain of a dividend of ten or twenty per cent. Bragojee may be one of the "Bulls" who has grazed in Jones's bog, or who has split fibres in Jones's mill; the ordinary shareholder knows nothing of that—why should he? All that he does know is that Bragojee has fearlessly taken shares in the proposed "concern," and has confidentially told a few of his friends that the shares will touch twenty premium as soon as the company has been formed, and that he is sure about this from the nature of the "guarantee" that accompanies the prospectus.

Although the promoters of the bog or mill company endeavour to keep the names of the new directors a strict secret, Bragojee and his intimate friends cannot be kept in the dark. They know the names, and the wealth and respectability attaching to these names are quite sufficient to carry conviction to every doubting mind that the bog or mill is to be entrusted to the care of men of the highest principle and vast practical knowledge of morasses and fibres of every description.

In a short time it becomes known that there is a difficulty in getting shares in the new concern. Seeing the self-sacrificing fit under which Jones is labouring, his friends come in and subscribe for shares in a very liberal manner. This they are induced to do in consequence of a whisper having got abroad that Jones has accumulated a sufficient fortune by working the bog or the mill, and that, satisfied with his gains, his only desire is to secure the capital which he had invested in the bog or mill and make his friends happy by relinquishing further profits to them. But Jones does not intend to clear out and let a few Bragojee's enjoy all the good dividends; he has a soul above that, and expresses much anxiety to let small shareholders and comparatively poor men reap some of the harvest which his toil and skill have prepared. He sends out a few scouts of sharebrokers to invite poor men of little capital to accept a few shares each, but on no account to let Bragojee know that he is doing so, lest Bragojee should become dissatisfied because he was not permitted to secure the whole concern to his immediate friends. Little by little the bog or mill company takes form, and the time draws near for publicly announcing the concern and making the calls. Wearying to be relieved of his burden, Jones decides on calling up only a moiety of the capital. He can be satisfied with this in the assurance that the bog or mill shares will immediately go to a premium, not because either Jones himself or his friend Bragojee will commit the iniquity of keeping up the market by purchasing the shares with the right hand while selling out with the left: they are too honourable for that, although they do not hold themselves responsible for what others may be doing; but because the shares are stamped with Jones's guarantee of a 20 per cent. dividend for five years.

We have said that such joint stock companies can only be successfully floated in a season of joint-stockery, when people are half asleep, when trade is stagnant, and when capitalists can find no better investments. Jones's, Bragojee's, bogs and mills are always in seasons and many a Jones waits anxiously for an opportunity to dispose of his swampy bog or his rusty mill. But unless the season of joint-stockery is hit upon, and unless the assistance of friends with names and money can be obtained, many a promising kite refuses to rise from the ground and ascend into the sky. There is a charm in joint-stockery, a great charm in a 20 per cent. dividend guaranteed for five years; but above all there is a singular charm in being able to borrow a little money, buy bog shares in time, sell out quickly at a profit, and watch your neighbour's trouble with his newly-purchased stock. At seasons when trade is dull there is great excitement in Foot-ball and Calico Balls, but the excitement of a Bog Ball or a Mill Ball is a greater excitement still. The game of getting up a joint stock company on the *débris* of a rotten business can be played at the breakfast table, at the office, or in bed, and the pleasures provoked by every successful move or happy idea sends a thrill of delight through every sensational chord in the body and a whirl of joy through the brain. It is some time since joint-stockery in Bombay assumed an epidemic form and attacked everybody. But every year has seen the affection more or less mildly spread abroad, and attacking Jones and Jones's friends.

We do not know that there are any bogs or mills for disposal to the public at present, but if there should be, our advice to the proprietors is to keep the profits to themselves. Not that we dislike philanthropists by any means, but when the operations of philanthropists turn the heads of small capitalists and provide work for official liquidators and Courts of Insolvency, it is far better that all dividends of twenty per cent. should be reserved by our Jones's for themselves and their nearest of kin. There will not be another joint stock epidemic in Bombay if we can help it.

In this connection it is curious to notice how some people work with the certainty of being unsuccessful, by engaging in concerns that are foreign to their own business and by endeavouring to compete with trained men. By dint of hard canvassing and hard begging, along with other propitious circumstances, the business may swim on for a time, but it is sure to become water-logged in the end. As well might the cotton looms of India strive to silence the looms of Lancashire or America as that an amateur business should succeed where a professional business fails. Let every cobbler stick to his last; we should then find no reason to float a bog or a mill into the office of the Official Liquidator. The best thing that can be done with an unprofitable business is to turn it over to a man who knows how to transform it into a paying business without tripping his neighbour.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

AMERICA.

LONDON, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

Her Majesty's Government is shipping rails at Woolwich for the railway at the Gold Coast.

LONDON, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

Mr. Henry James has accepted the Solicitor Generalship.

The first sod of the Persian Railway has been turned at Resht and a mile of the earthworks completed.

NEW YORK, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

There is an improved feeling to-day. The Treasurer has ceased buying goods, and is awaiting the order of the President; altogether 12 million dollars worth have been bought.

A large Bank has suspended payment in Baltimore.

NEW YORK, 26TH SEPTEMBER.

President Grant has approved of the cessation of purchasing bonds, and the Treasury has refused to employ legal tender reserve, considering it has extended to the Banks the utmost help. The Banks in the West and South are partially suspending currency payment. The exportation of grain and cotton is everywhere arrested. £285,000 in gold was shipped from Liverpool to America yesterday.

LONDON, 25TH SEPT., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day closed dull, Surats weak, and the London Cotton Market dull and heavy.

Fair Dhollera 6d.

The Manchester Market has been very dull.

4 per cent. Rupee Paper		97½
4½ do.	do.	99¼
5½ do.	do.	103¼

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results :—

Reserve of Notes....£12,625,000....Dec. £62,500.
Bills Discounted ....£21,812,500....Inc. £125,000.
Bullion .....£23,562,500....Dec. £312,500.
Exchange on Bombay .....1s. 10¾d.
,, Calcutta.....1s. 10¾d.
Shipments of specie per s. s. Peshawur from Southampton £131,000 in silver.

The rate of discount at the Bank of England has been raised to 4 per cent.

The sum of £72,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

The s. s. Dhoolia is not making water, and is expected to float after discharging 4,000 tons of cargo.

THE Simla paper writes that the society of that station is in a state of agitation about how to receive the now celebrated Mr. Hogg, who is expected there immediately.

THE Assistant Cotton Commissioner's report from Berar for the last week speaks very favourably for the prospects of the cotton crop. The weather has been exactly what would have been wished, and if it does not rain when the cotton is being picked there will be every reason for congratulation. The total rainfall for the season in the different districts of the Berars has ranged from 17 to 33 inches.

THE *Neilgherry Courier* says (what is already known) that the Commander in-Chief of Madras does not proceed to Bangalore and Poona as he first intended. The Government requested him to forego his trip in consequence of the recent disturbance among the Moplahs, and the present unsettled state of the country around Malliapooram, which is said to be in such a disturbed state that it is thought that there may be another outbreak. It has been considered expedient to double the European force at the place.

THE Government of Madras has notified that it is to be understood that the operations of Captain Caulfield and his subordinates shall be conducted under the supervision and management of the Inspector-General of Police, to whom Captain Caulfield will submit a weekly diary of his proceedings, and by whom a monthly report will be made to Government. The Inspector-General of Police will also collect materials from all the districts in the Presidency, to enable the Government to form an opinion of the requirements of other parts of the country in this matter, and as to the extent and direction in which the police may be more especially employed in shooting and poisoning tigers.

THE *Indian Public Opinion* :—At 3 A.M. on the 20th instant, the Yarkand Envoy, with Captain Molloy, left Lahore *en-route* to Rawul Pindee. He remained here three days in a fine pucca house in the Anarkullie bazaar belonging to Raheem Buksh, the well-known merchant, and Moulvi Burkut Alli Khan, Extra Assistant Commissioner, acted as Mehmendar. The Sultan of Turkey, it is stated, gave him as presents 1,200 boxes containing firearms, pearls, and other precious articles; also a saddle made of gold, not to mention six mountain guns with a quantity of cartridges and shells for the same, which are highly prized, and are being conveyed with the greatest care to Yarkand. The Envoy brought two goats with him from Egypt.

A KIND of rice, known as the *varagon*, has lately been used very extensively in Pondicherry, owing to the crop of that grain being very abundant this year. The head of the Medical Department in that town recently brought to the notice of the Government of M. Faron the circumstance that a number of persons admitted into the Military hospital had appeared to be actually poisoned by the use of this rice. The Pondicherry Government has consequently prohibited the sale of *varagon*, and has appointed a commission to report after instituting a chemical analysis of it. Pending this enquiry, all persons convicted of selling the grain in question are liable to a heavy penalty. The *varagon* is an inferior sort of rice, cultivated largely in the French settlements as well as in the interior of the Madras Presidency. It is round and of a grey color: when cooked, it becomes a paste, and is often made into an inferior kind of bread.

AT a late hour last evening we received the Report of the Select Committee on the Salt Bill. The alterations recommended are comparatively few and are for the most part of not much importance. The Select Committee leave untouched the leading principles of the measure. Under section 20 the selection of the persons to be employed by a licensee in his salt work was virtually placed in the hands of the Government official in charge of the salt work. The Committee think all necessary requirements will be met by causing the licensee to furnish annually a list of the persons he proposes to employ. It is also thought undesirable to make it a penal offence in a landowner or cultivator not to give notice of any unlicensed manufacture of salt on his land. The Committee have also modified the section which provided for the suppression of a salt work or the suspension of a license for the misconduct of any of the licensee's employés. This Report has the sanction of only the majority of the Select Committee. The two native members are in favour of further very material alterations, and therefore dissent from the Report.

THE *Civil and Military Gazette* :—The public have lately witnessed two remarkable illustrations of the immensity of the gulf which, notwithstanding the progress of English education in this country, still separates English from Native feeling in matters concerning morality or honour. One of these illustrations is the sharp contrast between the views expressed by Native and English writers respectively regarding the case of Surendra Nath Banerjea; the other is the similar contrast that has been brought out by the Hogg Divorce case. In the case of the Native Civilian, his countrymen have, with one accord, first hastened to assume the guilt of the accused party, and then proceeded to extenuate its importance; the English Press, on the other hand, while declining to prejudge him, insist upon the inexcusable character of the conduct with which he is charged. In the Divorce case, the entire English Press, with one exception, have joined in condemning Mr. Hogg's conduct in the most unqualified terms; while the entire Native Press, with one solitary exception, have united in pronouncing his conduct either perfectly proper or in a high degree venial.

IT may be remembered that a good deal of excitement was caused in the month of July last, by the publication in the *Civil and Military Gazette* at Simla, of a very bitter letter signed "Nemesis," accusing General Norman of having lent his influence to break up the organization of the old Company's army and of having raised himself upon the ruin which he had helped to make. A number of rumours immediately got into circulation about a civil action to be raised against the journal in which the letter of "Nemesis" appeared, and eventually it was whispered that the editor of the *Civil and Military Gazette* had been excluded from the Government House list for having published the letter. A correspondence then took place (about three weeks ago) between the editor and the Viceroy's Military Secretary, which is now presented to the public. The editor of the *Civil and Military Gazette* wrote in the first instance to ask if there were any foundation for the rumour that his name had been excluded from the Viceroy's public invitation list. To which Colonel Earle replied, "I must decline to adm

THE "[illegible]BAY TATLER."

THE *Indian Statesman* seems to have come out on Wednesday under the auspices of the chief *gowlee* of Bombay, who has improved the opportunity to cut to pieces, with the consummate skill of a professional, your article of the previous day, in which you exposed the malpractices of his *jat*. He seems to have been both offended and amused at your idea of using means to make a cow give more milk, for his own practice, handed down from all time, is to resort to the nearest puddle and at once make a widow's cruise out of his *lota*. But the *gowlee* was not so much at home when he tried to write Latin—e. g. *paullo majora canamus*—unless *paullo* be some colloquial term for "sky-blue."

I HAVE been a good deal exercised by the statement in a vernacular paper that His Highness the Gaekwar had endeavoured to "retain" the three daily English journals of Bombay with a fee of Rs. 5,000 each. It signifies little that the writer has apologized for publishing what he did, and has offered to recant in favour of a more exalted conception of British corruptibility. It is the mere existence of such a report to which I am referring. Those who believed and circulated the story plainly considered that editors, being the representatives of public opinion, were worthy of their hire, and would most likely even now be surprized to learn that any editor took the trouble to hold an opinion without being paid for it. The idea becomes more natural the more you think of it, and one cannot wonder that a "well meaning but inexperienced native writer," as he modestly describes himself, should have thought that an editor, like all the rest of mankind, followed his vocation of representing other people's opinions for what it brought him. To a mind innocent of principle the division of labour in such an arrangement must be very just and satisfactory. The Gaekwar conducts himself after his liking, the Government pitches into him as a matter of course, and the press gives expression to the discontent of the one or the wrath of the other according to its "instructions." That the large sum of five thousand rupees as a mere retainer was intended to cut out the Government altogether [illegible] can be little doubt, but it would be interesting to trace the inquiries which cannot but [illegible] secretly made into the probable amount [illegible]overnment fee.

THE Bunnia, like some other classes of Gujeratee Hindoos, is a living paradox. To all outward appearances, he is the personification of the "mild Hindoo." Gentle in his manners, submissive and servile, civil to his neighbours, affable to strangers, he is a quiet and respectable citizen in all parts of Her Majesty's Indian empire. He builds dhurmsallas, endows Pinjrapoles, and constructs watering-places for animals of all sorts. He provides for old and decrepid horses and asses, cows and bullocks, goats, tortoises, fowls, and even mad dogs, in the Pinjrapole. He feeds wild pigeons with maunds of grain in Bhattia-wadda in the Fort. He feeds ants wherever he can find them, even going about in search of them. He feeds with fresh grass stray cows in the public streets. He even feeds the small life that infests his person. One never saw the mild Bunnia kill a creature that had found refuge about his garments. Oh dear, no; he would rather see his right hand cut off than hurt the tiniest creature made by God. And yet your gentle, civil, affable, peace-loving Bunnia is the most cunning and astute of rogues. Compassionate to the lower animals in the extreme, he has no feeling for his fellow-men, but will hunt one of them to jail for the paltriest debt. There are many instances in which this anomaly in his nature has been vividly illustrated. But I was scarcely prepared for an exhibition of Bunnia compassion such as I was a witness of the other day. Even the hairy caterpillar that swarms everywhere during the rains, producing horrible irritation in all who touch it and causing the death of man, woman, or child who accidentally swallows one with his food or drink,—even this object of aversion to rich and poor has found a friend in the Bunnia! Going along Forbes Street, I saw several coolies, each with an earthen pot in his hand, collecting caterpillars from the sides of the road and the walls of the houses. On my questioning one of the men, I was told that they were employed by a Bunnia at four annas a day to collect all the caterpillars they could and carry them to the Pinjrapole for protection! I never had my sense of the ridiculous brought into more active exercise than it was by this revelation. It is a satisfaction to reflect that while diseased domestic animals have their misery prolonged by the Bunnia's attentions, and vermin are cultivated inside the Pinjrapole without diminishing the numbers outside, this last device of the Bunnias rids our streets and houses of one of our greatest plagues and does not put the caterpillars themselves to much pain or inconvenience.

IF there is any lesson to be learned from Lord Emmanuel Gordon's desolate fate it is one against too much learning being erected upon a weak foundation, for I believe that his brain was none of the strongest from the day he was rescued as a child from the jungle. But it has been reserved for the Rev. Mr. Gilder, of Trinity Chapel Ritualistic notoriety, to discover a deeper meaning in the unhappy man's death. In a letter (dated characteristically "Vigil of S. Mathew the Publican, 1873,") to the *Times of India*, he says that Wilson's fate (Wilson was Lord Gordon's real name) supplies "one more illustration of the truth of Lord Macaulay's accusation against the Established Church that she cannot manage enthusiasts, and by her treatment of them transforms them into impostors." He is of opinion that "at little or no cost, but with judicious treatment, he might have been utilized as a lay-helper in evangelistic work among his own countrymen, instead of being a reproach to the Christian world," &c. I am afraid that Mr. Gilder is an "enthusiast" whom the Established Church ought at once to utilize as much as possible. He would have been wiser, however, if he had never published his reflections upon Wilson's death. Surely Lord Macaulay never recommended the Established Church to press into its service the victims of *dementia*. Whatever the noble essayist's feelings may have been regarding enthusiasts of the class who are now clamouring for vestments and baldachinnos, about which somehow we hear more now-a-days than we do of good wholesome Christian work, it was a sarcasm beyond him to tell the Established Church plainly that she would be the better of the assistance of weak-minded men and dypsomaniacs. That "Lord Gordon" was both weak-minded and a habitual drunkard is a fact well enough known now, thanks to the man's notoriety, to save us the trouble of dwelling more fully upon it. The fact surely could not have escaped Mr. Gilder's penetration, and what he means by taunting the Established Church with the assertion that she turned "Lord Gordon" into an impostor, and was the cause of "him being a reproach to the Christian name," is not at all clear to me, whatever it may be to himself. I can only suspect that the Rev. gentleman wished to have his little fling at the Established Church because she does not pursue "a policy which the great essayist ascribes to the Church of Rome." Sonapoor Chapel ritualism must be becoming very extreme when its pastor seizes the smallest pretext to flatter the Church of Rome. Coquetting in this way with the Church of Rome, and dwelling on her every real or fancied charm, is a dangerous practice for those who desire to retain the virtue of adhering faithfully to the Established Church, and I advise Mr. Gilder not to advocate very silly things even for the purpose of showing his admiration for the "policy which the great essayist ascribes to the Church of Rome." The Church of Rome is not foolish enough to adopt the policy of making poor demented, drunken creatures their pastors or lay assistants; and Mr. Gilder ought to think twice before he says practically that this is the case.

AS I anticipated, several of the papers have commented upon the wisdom of Government in sanctioning the Hunterian misspelling, generally with disapproval, but still not with that single aim at the point really at issue which is necessary in order to have any influence in a cause already much shaken by the floods of weak stuff poured forth in its defence with more zeal than discretion. So ill-advised have been many of the exponents of the English spelling, in their remarks upon the Latin spelling, that the advocates of the latter can make out a very good case for themselves by merely exposing and running down what has been said against them, and thus both avoiding the ticklish task of rationally defending their own cause and diverting attention from the glaring fault of the system they support. What we want, as I pointed out last week, is uniformity in spelling and uniformity and accuracy in pronunciation. To talk of accuracy of spelling is needless for spelling to be spelling at all *must* accurately represent the pronunciation. Now it is nothing less than dishonesty to suggest, as the pedants have all along done, that uniformity in spelling cannot be obtained without sacrificing accuracy of pronunciation. Dr. Hunter's leading argument in pressing his antique transliteration upon the Government was that the greatest diversity prevailed in the spelling of Indian names. Just as if everybody else did not deplore this as much as himself, and was not as anxious as he to see a uniform system established. Then, having wound a long blast upon a loud trumpet in celebration of his having made a discovery of a crying evil which every one else had been all along aware of, he worked persistently to create and confirm the impression that uniformity was to be secured only by the adoption of Latin spelling; and I verily believe it was through not seeing that this gigantic fallacy was the backbone of his whole argument that the press failed so to put their view of the question as to leave nothing more to be said on the subject. While Dr. Hunter was profoundly pressing for uniformity, his opponents stupidly cried out against the "barbarism" of the change; and so left the Doctor the easy task of proving that want of uniformity was a greater evil than barbarism; whereas what he really should have been required to prove was that Latin was better for Englishmen than their own language. Now uniformity is a condition which can be had along with any other requirement whatever. Government has but to adopt the spelling of Timbuctoo, and uniform Timbuctoo we shall have over the length and breadth of India. So that to clamour about uniformity was simply to make a mountain of a mole-hill and conceal behind it the real obstacle which otherwise would have stood in the way of the pedantic transliteration. Uniformity in spelling being obtainable in any case, and accuracy in spelling meaning nothing more than conformity to pronunciation, the manifest thing to do was first to ascertain the correct pronunciation, then to spell that pronunciation (not in Latin nor in Timbuctoo, but in English,) and then, if there were more than one way of spelling it in English, to choose one and establish it. Instead of this we have had the spelling settled first, and when it transpires that English people cannot pronounce it, the aid of the savants is invoked to teach them how! Another thing that gave Dr. Hunter a considerable advantage was the cool assumption that if the Jonesian or Latin spelling were abandoned, there would be no alternative but the Gilchristian, the close use of which would certainly have sometimes misled speakers, just as the Jonesian spelling always does. But what earthly reason was there for following Gilchrist, or anybody else, for that part of it? Surely a couple of intelligent Englishmen could decide the nearest possible representation of a foreign name in English letters without consulting Sir W. Jones or Thomas Gilchrist. And *accurate* spelling thus having been attained, Dr. Hunter's everlasting hobby, "uniformity," could have been secured by a stroke of the Government pen. Instead of which we have had endless discussions, much bad feeling, and about a ream of correspondence, and are then given Mirat, Umaravati, D—— D——, Jabalpur, and Maisur, and expected to call them Meerut, Oomeraotee, Dum Dum, Jubbulpoor and Mysoor. To say that the learned societies would not have adopted the English spelling of names was nothing more than an attempt to throw dust in people's eyes. When learned societies of different countries correspond with each other, no one expects that the different nations to which they belong will adopt each other's languages. Savants must always have a literature of their own. I see that a local contemporary refers to the example of the few missionaries in India to support the new misspelling. But the fact is that the missionaries have not generally adopted the Jonesian system, and that, in this presidency at least, the few who have done so in imitation of the senior missionary, who happens to be an antiquarian. The cases are also cited of Keith Johnson's Map and Murray's Handbook, two publications so filled with blunders in spelling that the quashing of them both might well have been a primary inducement to Government to settle the correct spelling at once and make it uniform.

POONA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THURSDAY EVENING.

TO-DAY the Legislative Council met at noon. The Mofussil Mortuary Bill (known at much greater length as Bill No. 7 of 1870—a Bill for the regulation of burial-grounds and burning-grounds and places for the exposure of the dead in the territories subject to the Government of Bombay, without the limits of the City of Bombay) was read a third time and passed after a few verbal alterations were made upon it. Before the motion for the third reading of the Boilers Bill came on, a long telegram from Mr. J. A. Forbes in Bombay was read to the Council by Mr. Nugent, and it is only fair to it to say that it caused considerable astonishment and speedily became an exciting subject of debate. The telegram embodied the resolutions which were carried at a meeting of "those interested in steam machinery" held in Bombay on Wednesday. The resolutionists desired the passing of the Bill to be postponed for three months, and wished Government to appoint a Commission to inquire into certain abuses alleged, or rather hinted at, with respect to the working of the present Boilers Act in Bombay—evidently a round shot at Mr. Moylan. Perhaps the part of the resolutions which created most astonishment was the request that Government should compensate owners who had entered into questionable arrangements with the Boiler Inspector if these owners agreed to come forward and give evidence to the sought-for Commission. Such a procedure is a very strange one for a body of business men to advocate, amounting, it seems to me, to a request that the public should pay certain dishonest persons for revealing their attempts to corrupt a public official. To take no stand upon morality at all, but simply to look at the matter from a very low commercial point of view, I think that those persons whose "questionable" arrangements with officials under the present Act have turned out to be unsuccessful speculations ought to be very glad to reveal their griefs "without money and without price." It is their business more than the public's. Is it necessary to say that His Excellency the Governor and several other hon. members of Council pounced at once upon this recommendation of the resolutionists' and held it up to scorn and ridicule? The feeling which was raised upon this point alone had very great influence in inducing the leading Councillors to reject the resolutionists' request that the third reading of the Bill should be postponed for three months. His Excellency said that the Bill had now been a long enough time before the public, especially that part of the public "interested in steam machinery," to enable them to hold a meeting to discuss its principles before it was literally on the eve of being passed into law, and he blamed their dilatoriness, which was also done by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs and the Hon. Mr. Scoble. The latter pointed out the not unimportant fact that it was unnecessary for the resolutionists to urge the non-passing of the Bill for three months for the reason that they desired the appointment of a Commission of Inquiry, because the appointment of such a Commission could not affect the principle of the Bill, and though the Bill were to come into operation next week, or even never, a Commission of Inquiry might be appointed notwithstanding. The result of the discussion upon the telegram was that the requests expressed in the resolutions were entirely rejected, and the third reading was proceeded with in spite of the suggestions of the Hon. Messrs. Bythell and Mungaldas, that the Council should suspend action in the matter for a day or two in order that it might obtain fuller particulars than those which had been furnished by the bare telegram. After the third reading was agreed to, the Bill was passed. The Hon. Mr. Kennedy then moved the third reading of the Steam Boilers Inspection Bill. A most important discussion was raised by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, and the upshot of it was that an amendment which the Council, in deference to the Hon. Mr. Bythell's opinions, and therefore presumably those of the Chamber of Commerce, had made upon the Bill during its second reading was undone again. You may remember that it was urged by the Chamber of Commerce representative that the Council would be acting unfairly if it made steamers liable to survey in Bombay which though not provided with Board of Trade certificates, were yet in possession of certificates granted either by the Lloyds' Association or the Liverpool Association of Underwriters, and that the Council accordingly agreed to exempt steamers armed with these certificates. The Hon. Mr. Gibbs, however, evidently under inspiration supplied by the Bombay Dockyard officials, exercised his siren voice with such effect that the Council resolved to return back to its first intentions, and henceforth, or at all events "until the times do alter," as the Vicar of Bray sings, only those steam vessels shall be exempted from survey which hold a certificate granted by the Board of Trade or by any British Indian or Colonial Government. The hon. gentleman grew eloquent upon the fact that vessels do occasionally come to Bombay in a dangerous state even though their soundness has been vouched for "by either Lloyds' or the Liverpool Association of Underwriters; and I do not believe that this eloquence could be accounted for by the fact that Mr. Plimsoll's gaudy-looking volume, "Our Seamen," was in the hon. gentleman's immediate vicinity, for he really brought forward a very substantial support to his case by citing the instance of the John Adamson—a steamer whose survey after her first trip to Bombay, under the ægis of the Liverpool Association, proved her to be a very queer craft indeed. Had she not been surveyed in Bombay under the powers granted by the present Act the unwholesome shell might long ere this have been negotiating with the crustacea in the vicinity of Pharaoh's chariots in the Red Sea; and, what is worse, her crew might have been compelled to share in her sub-aqueous expedition. I may mention that I hear the owners of the John Adamson are in Court in Bombay, a suit for someting like £20,000 having been brought against them for damaged cargo. The Hon. Mr. Bythell stuck up for the respectability of Lloyds' and the Liverpool Association, but granting their respectability the Council declined to consider their certificates to be of such value that steamers arriving in Bombay with them should be exempted from receiving the attentions of our surveyors. The Bill would have been passed at once had it not been for a slight technical difficulty arising from a request of the Government of India respecting reference to certain English Acts. It is sure, however, to be passed either to-morrow or on Saturday. The Hon. Mr. Rogers introduced his Bill for the Regulation of Jails in the city and Presidency of Bombay and the enforcement of discipline therein. Its objects are to put all our jails directly under the care of the Inspector-General of Prisons instead of leaving them to the perfunctory supervision of the Judges of the High Court; and to decree that the punishments of whipping and "short diet" may be allowed to be exercised within them. As our jail birds have no sympathizers in the Council, the first reading of this salutary Bill regarding them was agreed to with alacrity. The Hon. Mr. Rogers then introduced his Bill to amend the law relating to hereditary officers. It is an amendment upon the Wuttundars' Bill which was withdrawn the other day, and the chief feature in it in its new shape is that its operations are intended to apply to hereditary district officers as well as hereditary village officers. The first reading of the Bill was agreed to, and his indefatigable Excellency plunged the Council into the second reading without further ado. The Council rose shortly after four o'clock—so soon partly in consideration of the mail, partly for the Races, and partly because the Governor's Ball comes off to-night.

The weather, which really has been drawing upon itself anything but flattering compliments for its singular behaviour during the last few days, looked threatening enough this afternoon, but fortunately confined itself to looks. What it did do yesterday and this morning was, however, disgustingly apparent—the ground in the vicinity of the Grand Stand where gentlemen with tickets in their hats, small books in their hands, and excitement and knowingness upon their faces most do congregate, being miry enough to sit for a modern portrait of the Slough of Despond; and as for the course—ugh! you ought to have seen it—a collection of lumps of mud loosely laid down so as to be capable of allowing a leading horse to demoralize the one behind it by kicking up in its face enough raw clay to start a brick factory. The number of spectators was pretty numerous, and among them I saw many a well known Bombay phiz. The Grand Stand looked very pretty with its feminine occupants, and it must be confessed that the sullen, leaden sky did this good, that it brought into very powerful relief the valuable collection of natural beauty and millinery of which Poona is at present the much to be envied possessor. As to the sport, it was pretty good considering the state of the course. The event of the afternoon was the defeat of that promising maiden Desert Born by an antagonist whom the beat in a canter the other day—viz., Merryleg's. As the course was as heavy to-day as it was on Tuesday, Merryleg's victory suggests that Desert Born is a very "out-and-in" sort of public performer. I believe that any amount of money was laid upon him, and the result of his match with Abdool Rahmon's clipper must have cast a good many unsophisticated and confiding persons into the realms of outer darkness where there is gnashing of teeth.

1ST RACE.—THE HACKS. Rs. 300 from the fund, for all Arab Hacks. 10st., previous winners once 5lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 1st. extra. ½ mile. G. R. Entrance 2 G.M., open to officers of H. M.'s services or members of a Club. The winner to be put up to auction for Rs. 500. Excess of bidding to be divided between the second and third horses, provided six horses start, otherwise the surplus to go to the fund.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. Elliot's ..... g a h Sirmaut.....	11	0 Mr. Elliot.... 1
Major G's ..... g a h Blue Danube.	10	0 Major Stack. 2
Mr. Pitto's ..... b a h The Clown...	10	0 3
Capt. Cooke's..... b a g Black Prince..	10	5 Owner 0
Mr. H's..... b a g Budder.....	10	10 0

Sirmaut and Blue Danube were made favourites. A good start was effected, but Major Stack's mount, unfortunately for his chance, slipped in the mud soon after the jump off, and thus lost about fifty yards. At the half-mile post, however, Blue Danube was going it, and when turning into the straight, took the leading position. However, Sirmaut, the ancient plater, was not to be denied, and, a hundred yards from him, went out with a rush, and snatched victory from Blue Danube with a length to spare. The Clown was beaten for third place just by a neck—a capital race. Time—1m. 36 secs.

2ND RACE.—A HANDICAP, for all Colonial and English horses. Rs. 500 from the fund. Distance one mile and a half. Entrance Rs. 100. Rs. 30 forfeit for not standing the handicap.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. A's ..... c aus g King's Own.	8	2 J. Brewtey. 1
Mr. Abdool Rahmon's. r aus g Vidette	9	8 Hockney ... 2
Mr. Elli..t's ..... b aus m Satanella ...	8	7 Finch..... 3
Mr. Framjee's ..... b aus g Victor	8	2 Cassim 0
Mr. Atlas'..... b aus g Little John..	8	10 W. Brewtey 0

Little John, who ran very well at the Bangalore meeting, but has been astonishing the natives of Poona by his eccentricities, "cut it" at the first turn of the course, and when last seen was somewhere in the neighbourhood of Ghorpoorie bandstand. King's Own led to the half mile post, where Satanella came up with a burst, and looked all over a winner. On coming down the road home, however, King's Own regained his lost ground, and at the same time Hackney brought up Vidette. A good race between the trio ended in King's Own winning by a length, and Vidette beating Satanella for third place. Time—3 ms. 6 secs.—not very brilliant.

3RD RACE.—A HANDICAP, for all Arabs and C. B. Rs. 500 from the fund. Rs. 100 entrance. Rs. 15 forfeit for not standing the handicap. One mile and a half

	st. lbs.	
Mr. R. K. Maitland's.... b a g Crossbee	7	10 Oomer 1
Mr. Ali Abdeola's ..... c a h Tokay	9	11 Hackney ... 2
Mr. Abdool Rahman's. b a g Annesty	9	0 Mr. R..... 3
Abdool Salim's ..... g a h Delawar	9	5 Finch 0
Aga Moochool Shah's.. g a h Mozuffur	8	9 W. Brewtey. 0
Capt. Affleck's ..... g a h Royal Duke...	9	5 Mr. Elliot .. 0

Each horse had his admirers, but the impression prevailed that the best chance was possessed by the lightweights, and so Crossbee was a good deal fancied. Soon after the start Mr. Maitland's colours were borne to the front, and Crossbee was never headed, although Hackney made a desperate effort with Tokay a couple of hundred yards from home. Annesty was a bad third; and Royal Duke and the others were nowhere in particular, although at one time Delawar looked very well in the race. Time—3 ms. 8 secs.

4TH RACE.—H. H. AGA KHAN'S CUP. Value Rs. 5'0. For all Arabs. Weight for age. The scale by the express wish of the donor to be as follows:—3 years, 7st. 4lbs.; 4 years, 7st. 12lbs.; 5 years, 8st. 6lbs.; 6 years, 8st. 12lbs.; 7 years, 9st. Maidens allowed 7 lbs., winner of the Derby 5 lbs., extra. Entrance 1st May 5 G. M., 1st June 10 G. M., 1st August 15 G. M. A sweepstakes of 10 G. M. for each horse declared to start. 1½ miles.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. Abdool Rahman's .. b a h Merrylegs	8	12 Mr. R..... 1
Major Lindsay's..... c a h Desert Born...	8	3 Hockney.... 2

A good deal of interest gathered round this match from the fact that Desert Born beat Merrylegs so easily the other day. His previous victory made him the favourite on this occasion. Both cantered past the Judge's box, on the first time round. Shortly afterwards Merrylegs took up the lead, and looked particularly willing at the mile and a quarter post. Going up the hill Merrylegs was still leading by about a length. At the top of the hill the favourite was creeping up, and here the pace was made hot by both. At the last corner, Desert Born was in front. "Desert Born wins!" was shouted on every side; but Abdool plied whip and spur, and the pair raced neck-and-neck for a short distance, when Desert Born seemed to fall off, and then Merrylegs went to the front and won by a couple of lengths. Time—3ms. 39 secs.

5TH RACE.—THE GALLOWAY PLATE. Rs. 300 from the fund. For all galloways. Weight for inches. Winners of a previous season to carry 7 lbs. extra. Winner of the Maiden Galloways to carry 4 lbs. extra. Maidens imported since 1st September allowed 4 lbs. Entrance 5 G. M. To close and name the day before the race. One and a half mile.

	st. lbs.	
Maj. Lindsay's ..... b a g Chieftain.....	9	9 Hackney ... 1
Capt. Dent's ..... c a p Jamil.....	7	11 Oomer 2
Mr. Pitto's ..... c a p Gendarme	8	0 Finch..... 0

A good start. Chieftain lay back at the beginning, and allowed the ponies to make the running, which they did with such effect that they ran themselves out, and Chieftain took the lead from game little Jamil in the straight home, and won hard held by a length; Gerdarme fell back at the half mile post and was nowhere at the finish. Time—3ms. 14 secs.

Darkness now put an appropriate finish to the races. The meeting will terminate on Saturday, and I am sorry to hear that there is a likelihood of the usual steeplechase day falling through. One thing sportsmen will regret to hear is that, if steeple-chases are agreed upon, Major Hogg will not be in his place, in consequence of ill news from home compelling him to leave for England by the mail to-morrow.

Before I close this letter, permit me to correct a misstatement, to call it by its very mildest term, which appeared in the letter published by the *Times of India* on Tuesday from its Poona correspondent. That gentleman—for I presume I am not abusing the epithet—said that the correspondent who furnished you with your report of the last Poona cricket match had adopted "stratagems" to prevent the *Times of India's* report appearing until a day later than yours. So far from this assertion being true, your correspondent actually delayed sending his report for a day in order to enable the gentleman who supplied the *Times of India* to be up to time with his report. As your correspondent is a gentleman who is well known in Poona and in Bombay, I have thought it nothing but bare justice to him to state the facts of the case. Comment upon the silly misrepresentation which has been made by your contemporary's correspondent is not required; neither should the hint be lost upon him that he will do his credit for truthfulness no harm if he takes the first opportunity of making the necessary correction.

BOMBAY.

THE WEATHER AT DEOLALEE.—A correspondent states that there was a heavy rainfall at Deolalee on the 20th and 21st inst.

THE maistree who was terribly scorched by an explosion of kerosine oil at Kurrachee a few days ago died in hospital the evening after the occurrence.

MUNICIPAL FINES.—On Thursday the Senior Magistrate disposed of a number of municipal cases, and the fines inflicted amounted to nearly Rs. 250.

THINGS IN GENERAL.—A Mahrattee paper complains bitterly against over-legislation and over-taxation and the appointment of unfit natives to the Legislative Council.

THE whole of the gentlemen of the Common Jury will not be required to attend at the High Court until five minutes to 10 on Monday morning, the 29th inst.

THE ASSAULT CASE AT SURAT.—This case, in which a Hindoo vakeel of Surat is concerned, has been transferred to the Court of Mr. Baines, Assistant Collector of the district.

THE GAEKWAR'S DEWANSHIP.—The *Gujerat Mitra* recommends H. H. the Gaekwar to appoint a man like Messrs. Mahadeo Govind Ranade or Ambalal Sakerlal as his Dewan.

THE RECENT MURDER AT SURAT.—A goldsmith named Babajee Luxmon has been arrested at Surat for the recent murder there of a native lad for the sake of his ornaments.

BITTEN BY A DOG.—A Hindoo boy, aged about twelve years, was bitten by a mad dog at Gaumdevi on Thursday. The boy was sent to the Jamsetjee Hospital and the dog was killed.

JUDICIAL ASSISTANT IN KATTYWAR.—It is stated that Mr. Candy, of the Bombay Civil Service, will in all probability be appointed Acting Judicial Assistant in Kattywar, in the room of Mr Jardine.

EDUCATIONAL.—We hear that the grant from the imperial fund to the Educational institutions of the Central Educational Division of this Presidency is to be redistributed in the proportion which the local fund contribution of each district bears to it.

THEFT—At the Fort Police Court, before Mr. Nana Morojee, yesterday, a Parsee named Hormusjee Cursetjee was charged with stealing a copper vessel belonging to one Hasson Esoof. He was convicted and sentenced to five months' rigorous imprisonment.

THEFT OF ORNAMENTS.—A baker, residing at Obelisk Road, yesterday reported to the police the theft of certain ornaments, valued at Rs. 2,000, from a box which he kept in the room in which he slept. A servant of the complainant is suspected of having stolen the ornaments.

A BANKER OF BARODA.—The *Gujerat Mitra* is responsible for the following:—"The account books of a banker by name Jumnadas were under examination in the Resident's Court. In these books, we hear, large sums are found against the names of almost all the Karbharees, the Dewan not excepted."

CRIMINAL MISAPPROPRIATION.—A Goanese named Manuel Dias was charged before Mr. Nana Morojee, yesterday, with misapplying in breach of trust a cloth coat and a waistcoat belonging to James A. Fernandes. The prisoner pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

A MUNICIPAL CASE.—A Hindoo named Parbhoodass Pranjeevandass was charged under the new Municipal Act, before Mr. Connon, on Thursday, with not complying with a notice requiring him to cleanse, clear, and put in a proper state his house and grounds. He was fined Rs. 50 for the offence, and Rs. 5 a day henceforward till the work should be finished.

PROGRAMME OF MUSIC to be played by the Town Band at the Esplanade Band-stand this evening:—

March .....Distant Greeting .....
Overture.....Bohemian Girl .....Balfe.
Quadrille .....Le Boi Reni .....Bryssant.
Selection.....Simon Bocanegra .....Verdi.
Valse .....Perichole.....Coote.
Galop .....Three o'clock.....
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

A BREACH OF THE CUSTOMS ACT.—Mr. T. Jervis, Superintendent of Her Majesty's Customs Preventive Service, yesterday appeared before the Senior Magistrate and obtained a summons against Captain Gray, of the steam-ship Asia, charging him with obstructing Mr. Long, an officer in the Customs Preventive Service, while in official charge of the ship, the same being in breach of section 215 of the Consolidated Customs Act 6 of 1863.

THE SALT BILL.—An Anglo-Mahrattee newspaper observes that if the Salt Bill passes into law there is much doubt about its being able to prevent smuggling; while from the excessive powers entrusted to the officers of the Salt Department, enabling them to act as they like, there is a certainty of corruption prevailing in it. Many private salt works will be suppressed, and, consequently, less salt than what is produced at present will be made, and this necessary of life will become dearer.

THE STABBING CASE.—This case in which a man of the Maug caste named Rama Balloo is charged with having on Wednesday morning attempted to commit the murder of Mr. Framjee Bastoonjee, a general merchant, by stabbing him with a sheath knife near the Cathedral, was called on for hearing yesterday at the Fort Police Court, before the Senior Magistrate. Mr. Hurreeshunker Balkrishna, pleader, appeared on behalf of the prosecution. On the application of Mr. Hurreeshunker the charge was altered to one of aggravated assault. The prisoner pleaded guilty and was sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment.

A PRIVATE letter from home informs us that Mr. Bence, Superintendent of Government Telegraphs, who was stationed in Kurrachee two years ago, is likely to return to India in November, and will resume charge of the Sind district. After serving a short time he will, it is expected, retire on a pension.—*Sind News.*

THE original letter giving information about the murder of Wilson, the telegraph employé, has been discovered and delivered to the Political Superintendent Thurr and Parkur, who has handed it over to the Telegraph authorities here. A comparison of the handwriting with that of Wilson tends to point to him as the writer, and therefore the author of the groundless and "sensational" report which obtained currency respecting his having been murdered. The ruse he practised was the means of putting the department to some expense, and it would serve him well right to make him pay dearly for his fun.—*Id.*

HIGH COURT.—27TH SEPTEMBER.

[Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE GREEN.]

ECCLESIASTICAL SIDE.

FOR JUDGMENT.

In the matter of the last will and testament of and codicil of Paulo Domingos, late of Bombay Portuguese, deceased, Rimington, Hore, and Langley—Caitano de Mello, Peter Antonio Rowe, and David Lopes v Rosa Maria Domingos—Dallas and Lynch (Part heard).

SHIPPING ITEMS.

THE BARQUE TAMAR, 425 tons, Captaing Mitchell, will sail to-day in ballast for Java.

THE BARQUE VICTOR, 696 tons, Captain J. D. Pond, will sail to-day for Muscat with a general cargo.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s *s.s.* BURMAH, 1,081 tons, Captain T. Sanders, arrived in harbour yesterday from Kurrachee (September 23rd), with a cargo of 157 bales wool, 1 box specie, 3 casks indigo, 1 case goods, and 2,283 bags seeds for transhipment for different ports, and the following passengers:—Ensign Moon, and six deck passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s *s.s.* INDIA, 656 tons, Captain J. Henderson, sailed yesterday for the Persian Gulf, via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Kurrachee—Mr. F. D. Melvill and three servants, Lieut. Werge, and Mr. Boulton and servant. For Bushire—Mr. Masters, and seventy-three deck passengers.

THE P. AND O. Co.'s *s.s.* ZAMBESI, 1,542 tons, Captain G. F. Cates, which arrived in harbour on the 25th instant from Suez (September 12th) with the English Mail, brought the following cargo:—4 boxes specie, 17 bundles bags, 2 packages lemon plants, 132 cases gums, 245 packages unknown, 61 packages balls and saddlery, 44 packages samples, 7 coils rope, 6 gun carriages, 145 packages parcel, 1 package valuables, 20 barrels flour, 6 bales hay, 1 box books, and 2,757 packages cottons.

STATE OF THE TIDE AT BOMBAY.

HIGH WATER.		SEPT. & OCT.	LOW WATER.	
Time.	Height.		T.me.	Height.
H. M.	IN. FT.		H. M.	IN. FT.
2 21 m	4 10		8 13 m	2 7
1 54 a	3 9	Saturday 27	8 23 a	5 10
3 8 m	4 1		8 53 m	1 6
2 22 a	2 9	Sunday 28	9 4 a	5 2
4 7 m	3 4		9 45 m	0 6
3 2 a	2 0	Monday..... 29	10 1 a	4 8
5 21 m	3 0		11 22 a	0 1
4 23 a	1 4	Tuesday..... 30	4 4m	4 4
6 39 m	3 3		...	...
6 20 a	1 4	Wednesday ... 1	0 49 a	0 5
8 16 m	4 0		0 58 m	4 4
8 11 a	2 3	Thursday 2	2 16 a	1 9
9 12 m	5 2		3 27 m	4 9
9 21 a	3 10	Friday 3	3 27 a	3 8

Moon—First Quarter, 29th, 7h. 46m. P.M.

ADDITIONAL PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. AND O. Co.'s *s.s.* MOOLTAN, Captain W. W Fentiman, sailed yesterday for Aden and Suez with the English Mail and the following additional passengers:—

For Southampton—Lieutenant Wetherall and Captain and Mrs. T. H. T. Chalon.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, 28TH SEPTEMBER

ST. THOMAS'S CATHEDRAL.

7-30 A.M.—1st Celebration of Holy Communion.
11 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon, with 2nd Celebration of Holy Communion. Hymns 177 and 95.
4-45 P.M.—Catechising.
5-30 P.M.—Litany.
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 200 and 11. Anthem—Like as the hart desireth the water brooks. The offertories will be devoted as usual.

HOLY-DAYS.

Monday, 29th, being the Feast of St. Michael and all Angels, Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7-30 A.M., and at 6 P.M. Full Choral Service Evensong with Sermon.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLABA.

7-30 A.M.—Holy Communion Celebration.
11 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 282.
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 148, 326, and 142. (part III.)
The offertories will be devoted as usual.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA

7-30 A.M.—Holy Communion.
Offertory to be devoted as usual.
11 A.M.—Morning Prayer, Litany, and Sermon. Hymns 4, 296, and 155.
Offertory to be devoted as usual
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Anthem—"Sing O Heavens." Hymns 297 and 200.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SONAPORE.

11 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion with Sermon. Hymn 190. (O let Him whose sorrow) and 207 (O God, unseen).
6 P.M.—Evensong and Sermon. Hymns 302 (Come let us join our cheerful songs), 234 (They come, (God's messengers of love) and Faber's Pilgrims of the Night. The offertory as usual.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KAMATHIPOORA.

7-30 A.M.—Holy Communion in English.
9 A.M.—Holy Communion and Sermon, in Tamil.
3 P.M.—Tamil Service.
4 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, in Marathi.
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, in English. Hymns 201, 175, and 336.
The offertory to be devoted as usual.

C. M. S. MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

English services at 11 o'clock A.M. and 6 o'clock P.M. Marathi service at 8 o'clock A.M.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, APOLLO STREET, FORT.

11 A.M.—Morning Service.
Hymn 53, (Tune Easter Hymn.) No. 281.
Psalm 18, (Tune Evan.) No. 91.
Hymn 114, (Tune Innocents.) No. 265.
6 P.M.—Evening Service.
Psalm 23, (Tune Barrow.) No. 64.
Hymn 126, (Tune Orwell.) No. 321.
Hymn 132, (Tune Amberg.) No. 364.
Anthem—Arise, shine, for Thy Light is come.

FERE CHURCH, ESPLANADE.

11 A.M.—Morning Service. Psalm 113. Hymns 211 and 14.
6 P.M.—Evening Service. Psalm 48. Hymns 26 and 30.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Falkland Road Hall and Forbes

THE PARSEE MURDERER'S CASE.

At the Criminal Sessions of the High Court, the Chief Justice specially presided on Thursday for the trial of Nusserwanjee Nowrojee, who murdered a woman named Ameena on the morning of the 6th August last in a house of ill fame at Koombartookia near Bhooleshwur. Before his Lordship took his seat on the Bench, the prisoner, who had been placed in the dock some time previously, and had to be held down by three policemen, continued making a noise, moving his head in different directions as is sometimes done by a madman, and repeated incoherent expressions in Hindustani such as the following—"Oh, my city, oh my Delhi city, my city of Lucknow; oh my Badshah, my Nabob; well my treasurer; oh what a city; city, city; oh Delhi; oh, oh," &c. The following gentlemen were called upon the

SPECIAL JURY.

T. B. Kirkham, Esq.	John Dixon, Esq.
J. R. K. Johnson, Esq.	Muncherjee Hormusjee Cama, Esq.
Harry John, Esq.	
W. M. Gibbert, Esq.	Shapurjee Jeewajee, Esq.
James Morris, Esq.	Gunputrao Moroba, Esq.
W. Forrest, Esq.	Nusmoodin Tyabjee Esq.
G. A. Barnett, Esq.	

Mr. Mayhew and Mr. Lang, instructed by the acting Public Prosecutor, appeared for the prosecution. Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Inverarity, instructed by Messrs. Tyabjee and Sayani, appeared for the defence.

Before the prisoner was called upon to plead, Mr. Ferguson said—I submit that the prisoner is insane and cannot plead.

The Chief Justice—We will take a plea of not guilty and proceed with the trial.

Mr. Ferguson—I submit that the issue ought to be put to the jury at once. The learned counsel referred to the Queen v. Davis (3 C. and K.'s reports, 328.)

The Chief Justice said the same object might be attained by entering a plea of not guilty; and the jury would judge upon the evidence whether the prisoner was insane or not.

Prisoner continued to make a noise calling out "Oh Badshah, oh Nawab, oh my treasurer, give eighty crore rupees," &c.

The Chief Justice directed that prisoner must be called on to plead.

Prisoner was made to stand in the dock and called upon to plead to the charge of murder, which the Clerk of the Crown read out.

Prisoner affected not to hear what was said to him. He looked on at vacancy, or affected to do so, and directing his gaze to the ceiling, repeated vociferously—"Oh my city; oh my city of Delhi; oh Badshah; oh my city of Surat and my eighty crores of rupees." He made no answer to the call for a plea.

The Chief Justice—Let a plea of not guilty be recorded.

The jury were sworn, and the counsel for the prosecution was about to commence the opening speech when the prisoner disturbed the proceedings by his violent vociferations.

The Chief Justice said some means must be taken to keep the prisoner quiet, even by a slight force, if necessary.

Attempts were then made, under the directions of Dr. Partridge, jail surgeon, to gag the prisoner by tying pieces of cloth over his mouth, but all failed to effect the object in view except to a slight degree.

Mr. Mayhew in opening the case for the prosecution said—May it please your Lordship, Gentlemen of the jury. I will detain you as shortly as possible in narrating to you the very minute circumstances which have caused you to be empannelled to try the prisoner on the present occasion. You have heard that he is charged with having committed the murder of a woman named Ameena. The deceased woman, Ameena, was a Hindoo; the prisoner at the bar is a Parsee; and it appears that this deceased woman Ameena was a woman of immoral character, in the habit of frequenting a house in Koombertookda, a low part of Bombay, for the purpose of carrying on her trade. The prisoner, on the evening of the 5th August last, went to the house to see this woman, and after making certain arrangements, he contemplated spending the night with her. After he had been in the house some short while, somewhere about ten or eleven o'clock at night, he desired the old woman who rented this house—or rooms as they would be more properly described—for the purpose of allowing persons to go there for immoral purposes, to go out and purchase some liquor. She declined to do so, and thereupon the prisoner himself went out and purchased the liquor, returning with it to the house. The deceased and the prisoner retired shortly afterwards into the room in which this most horrible murder took place, and after spending there several hours, during which time the old woman and her attendant who lived with her were sleeping in the adjoining room, were awakened by hearing loud screams. The screams, they will tell you, they heard distinctly to come from the deceased woman Ameena, and thereupon the old woman, Jeevebace, immediately knocked at the door and requested the prisoner to open it. I will not, gentlemen, detail to you the minute conversations that passed; sufficient that at length the prisoner did open the door and attempt to get down the staircase. In the meanwhile the cries of the deceased woman had alarmed her neighbours, and a cry for the police had been raised. Shortly after the prisoner had descended the staircase he was taken into custody, and at that time there was found in his possession a knife with fresh stains of blood upon it. There were also stains of blood upon his clothes, and the woman who lived in the house will tell you that immediately after the deceased woman had descended the staircase, and the door of the room was opened in which he and the deceased woman had been passing the night, they saw, lying on the bed, covered with wounds, the dead body of Ameena. Now, gentlemen, if these short facts are proved, there cannot be the slightest doubt in the world that the prisoner was the man who stabbed that woman and caused her death. From the exhibition that you have here to-day, and from what has already taken place within your presence and hearing, it is manifest that there will be an attempt to prove that the prisoner is insane. But, gentlemen, with regard to that insanity the question to which you will have to direct your minds most attentively will be, whether he was insane at the time he committed this most atrocious act? Now that you see him before you, and he apparently either wilfully or unwilfully—that is for you to judge—does not, or will not, understand what is said to him, and remains mute, and declines to answer, it will be for you to say whether that state of mind in which he is now was the state of mind in which he was on the night of the 5th August last. I will only shortly tell you that there will be this marked evidence given, not only by the ignorant women who lived in this house, but by police officers who, contemporaneously with the prisoner's arrest and shortly afterwards, had occasion to speak to him and put certain questions to him, which questions he perfectly well understood and gave perfectly intelligent and sensible answers to. Notably, I will ask you to consider the evidence which the police officer will give to you who, on that morning of the 6th August, when he had taken the prisoner back into the room in which the dead body of Ameena was lying, and when he had possession of that blood-stained knife, put to the prisoner the very sensible question, Where did you get this knife from? That police officer will tell you that that question was most plainly and straightforwardly answered, that he had purchased it a few days before in the bazaar. He also then made certain statements, with reference to his having been robbed of some money and to another woman having been substituted for the woman with whom he desired to pass the night. Whatever the meaning intended to have been conveyed by such statements as these might have been, it will be for you to consider whether he meant to set up this charge of the robbery of some hundreds of rupees as an excuse for what he had done, or for what other purpose he may have concocted the story. At all events, gentlemen, evidence such as I have indicated will necessarily raise in your minds the very gravest doubt whether the demeanour of the prisoner now is not one of feigned madness, whether, in fact, he is not by making these noises, by refusing to understand anything that passes around him, whether he is not putting on that appearance for the purpose of escaping, if possible, from the penal consequences of so atrocious a crime. Gentlemen, as far as the Crown is concerned, we shall be perfectly ready to allow the amplest inquiry, for you to enter most minutely into any circumstances with reference to the prisoner's past life, his habits, and mode of living, and investigating whether or not he was really insane at the time that he committed this act.

The Chief Justice here interrupted the learned counsel, and asked the jury whether the noise made by the prisoner did not prevent their properly hearing Mr. Mayhew's remarks. If so, it would be necessary to employ some little restraint on the prisoner.

The jury responded that they could hear Mr. Mayhew quite distinctly.

Mr. Mayhew resumed—From the way in which this trial is proceeding it is necessarily painful to one's feelings. If you have simply to consider whether the prisoner has committed so atrocious a murder as the prosecution charge against him, that in itself is a matter of most painful inquiry, because a man who goes to pass a night with a poor prostitute, however bad her character may be, and in the middle of the night gets up and stabs her, and causes her death, is something revolting. He did it apparently without motive; and no doubt that is a circumstance which will be strongly urged upon you by the counsel for the prisoner. It is still more painful, gentlemen, if there is any reasonable ground for supposing that the man at that time was insane. As you have heard, the plea of not guilty has been entered for him, and you have heard also from the learned Chief Justice, when entering that plea, that it was a more favourable thing that could be done for the prisoner than entering into that preliminary investigation which the learned counsel, who appears for him, was instructed to apply for. Gentlemen, with these remarks I can only say to you that, having heard the evidence, it may be necessary—as to which I and my learned friend, who appears with me, place ourselves entirely in the hands of the learned Chief Justice—to call witnesses whose testimony should be directed simply to the state of mind of the prisoner in the past of his life. The names of these witnesses do not appear upon the depositions sent up to this Court. Whether we should in the first instance give such evidence to you as it were to rebut the evidence which the prisoner's counsel have in their view to call to prove that the prisoner is insane, or whether our medical testimony and that of persons who have had ample opportunity of seeing the prisoner daily for a considerable period of time prior to the 6th August, and who will be able to give you specific evidence as to the state of his mind—whether we shall call that evidence in the preliminary stage or subsequently, my learned friend and myself are prepared to do whatever the Court in that respect may think proper. It is fully in the knowledge of the learned Chief Justice that within my time of experience in Bombay no such case as this has ever come up to be tried. I do not remember a single case in which a prisoner, who has either been under real or simulated insanity at the time of trial, that it has been necessary to enter a plea of not guilty, and where the double inquiry has been made, whether the man committed the murder, and whether he is insane. The evidence on these two questions are separate and distinct, and in that respect we shall do whatever we (I will say) most advantageous to the prisoner. I mean that we will not present our evidence in any way that will impede the prisoner's counsel in the slightest degree, in presenting the case for him which they desire to lay before you. If, having heard the whole of our evidence, you conclude that it leaves no reasonable doubt on your minds that on the morning of the 6th August this man was really compos mentis and knew what he was about from first to last until some time after he was in the hands of the police, I apprehend you will have no other duty to discharge than to return a verdict of guilty.

Jeevebace, woman, examined by Mr. Lang—I keep a brothel at Koombartookda and live on the first floor of a chawl there. There are two rooms. I knew Ameena, who was a prostitute. I know her four or five months before her death, during which period she used to come to my house. I know the prisoner. On the day of the murder, Ameena came to my house between 4 and 5 P.M. and remained there. About 11 P.M. that day prisoner came to my house and said he would remain all night. The conversation took place outside the inner room. I said I would charge him Rs. 1-8-0 as he had come late, and that had he come earlier, I should have charged him two rupees. Prisoner said he had two rupees with him, that he would give me one rupee, and that when he left he would give Ameena a quarter rupee and a quarter rupee to me. He then paid me a rupee and went with Ameena into the inner room and stayed there. Before that no one had come to my house except a woman of the name of Chunda, who was then a prostitute and now sells *beereee*. About midnight the prisoner came out of the inner room and said to me, "Go and fetch liquor."

The foreman of the jury represented that the noise made by the prisoner prevented the jury from hearing the evidence. A gag was applied, but had not the desired effect. Prisoner continued to make noise by repeating some of the expressions abovementioned.

Witness continued—I said I could not go to fetch liquor, and that I would not keep a man in liquor in my house. I said I would keep twelve annas and return him a quarter rupee, and asked him to leave the house. He and Ameena came out and sat in the outer room. Prisoner said, "I am the son of a respectable man." I said, "Why do you want to drink liquor if you are the son of a respectable man?" He put on his coat and was about to go out. I said, "Take back your twelve annas." He said he was going for a short time, and would return after his business was done. He did not take back the money and went out. He returned in a short time, and as he entered the house my hand touched something in his pocket. He went into the inner room, and Ameena, who had been sitting with me, followed him into the room. After that Ameena's paramour, of the name of Fuckeer Mahomed, came to my house. Prisoner and Ameena called him upstairs, and he went upstairs. Shortly afterwards I went upstairs and saw Ameena and Fuckeer Mahomed and the prisoner drinking liquor. I asked the prisoner, "Where did you get the liquor from? Did you go out to fetch the liquor?" Prisoner said, "I have got about two annas worth of liquor from a friend of mine." I then said, "Do not take liquor so as to create a disturbance here." Prisoner said, "Do not be afraid, I am the son of a respectable man and will create no disturbance. I will go at 4 a.m." Chunda was sitting close to the next house to sell *beereee*. Fuckeer Mahomed after a short while went away. Ameena said to him as he was going, "I have agreed to stay here for the night for one rupee; do you come early in the morning to take me away." Chunda then came into the house, and at my request she shut the door at the bottom of the stairs and also the trap-door at the top of the stairs. I desired the prisoner and Ameena to retire into the inner room and sleep and not to fasten the door from inside. I said so, because if they fastened the door, it would be difficult to get in in case of disturbance. They went into the room and fastened the door. I told prisoner to unfasten the door. Prisoner unfastened the door saying to me, "Do not be frightened." I and Chunda ate some boiled rice and dhall called "Khichree" and went to sleep. Later in the night I was aroused by a cry of "Oh, I am killed." I got up and pushed the door of Ameena's room, but found it fastened from inside. This was about 3 A.M. Finding the door fastened, I called out to the prisoner, "Open the door, why did you fasten it at night?" Prisoner then abused me in very indecent language and said, "What did you understand when I gave you a rupee." I said, "Come out, and I will give back your rupee?" At this time Sewlal Marwaree, who lives in the next room, said, "He is striking her, why do you not help her?" I said, "He does not open the door and is abusing me." I then called out to Mauna, Sewlal's wife, and asked her to call out for a sepoy. She did so and a sepoy came running to the door at the foot of the stairs. I complained to the sepoy that the prisoner was abusing me. Prisoner thereupon used an indecent expression of defiance from inside the room without opening the door. I again complained to the sepoy. Prisoner then said to me, "You hussey, you she-ass, I will take your guts out for disgracing the son of a respectable man." The sepoy said to prisoner, "You son of a respectable man, come down." Prisoner told the sepoy to come up. The sepoy told me to open the door and come down. I was in the act of opening the trap-door when prisoner came forth with his coat and turban on, and rushed downstairs. He opened the door at the bottom of the stairs, and was stopped by the policeman as he was trying to go out. I pushed open the door of the upper room and saw Ameena lying on one side on the ground with her bowels protruding. Bowels were scattered about the room. She was dead. (Is shewn a knife.), I never kept a knife in the house.

The witness was cross-examined by Mr. Ferguson at some length, but nothing important was elicited.

Chunda, woman, was the next witness called and examined by Mr. Lang. She said—On going into Jeevee's house on the night of the murder, I found the prisoner and Ameena in an inner room. Jeevee was sitting outside. I had occasion to go into the inner room to fetch water. There was a light in the room, the door of which was afterwards shut by the prisoner. Jeevebace shut the door at the bottom of the stairs as well as the trap door at the top of the stairs. Jeevebace said to the prisoner, "Don't fasten the door." He said he would do so. I and Jeevee took our meals and went to sleep in the outer room. Later in the night I heard Ameena cry out, "I am struck, I am struck." The cry proceeded from the inner room. We got up and Jeevebace said to prisoner, "Open the door, open the door." The Parsee said from inside he would not open and abused Jeevebace. We told him several times, but he would not open the door. Mannabace, a Bania woman living in an adjoining room, called out for a sepoy. A sepoy came and called out to the Parsee to come down stairs. When the sepoy called out, prisoner opened the door of the inner room. Jeevebace opened the trap door and prisoner came out and went downstairs. Jeevebace opened the door at the bottom of the stairs. I saw her open it. On going into the inner room, I found Ameena dead and her bowels protruding. Prisoner was arrested by the sepoy who was standing downstairs.

In cross-examination by Mr. Ferguson, witness said—There was a light in the room when I saw Ameena dead.

To the Chief Justice—When I first saw prisoner in the inner room, he was talking to Ameena and appeared to me to be sober. When he went downstairs he also appeared to me to be sober.

Prisoner made an incessant noise by repeating Hindustanee expressions such as these "Oh Vujeer, Oh Rajah, Hah, hah. Oh Badshah! Ahs, Ahs!"

Sewlal Piarilal examined by Mr. Mayhew—I am an opium broker and live in the Koombartookda. I live in the next room to Jeevebace's. There is a thin chunam partition wall between her room and mine. I can hear what takes place in her room. Manna lives with me. On the morning of the 6th August last, I and Manna were sleeping in my room. About 3 A.M. I heard a cry of "I am struck, I am struck" proceeding from Jeevebace's room, I said, "Who is striking her there?" The voice of a man said from inside "I am not striking her, she his crying for nothing." I now know it was the voice of the prisoner. I told Manna to call out for a sepoy; and she did so. I heard Jeevebace cry out, "Open the door, open the door." I heard the Parsee prisoner reply, "If you give me back the rupee I gave you at night, I will open the door, or else I will not open." Jeevebace said, "Open the door, or I will call for a sepoy." Prisoner said, "If a sepoy comes upstairs I will open the the door; not otherwise." I went downstairs and saw a sepoy standing opposite the door of Jeevee's room. The sepoy told Jeevee to open the door. Soon after prisoner came running downstairs and said to the sepoy, "My note for Rs. 500 has been stolen." Jeevee came and said to sepoy, "Ameena has been murdered, stop this man, don't let him go." Prisoner upon hearing this tried to run away but was stopped by me. He had a knife in his hand. It was half closed. The sepoy came and took prisoner into custody.

To the Chief Justice—Prisoner struggled much to get away. He said, "Let me go, let me go, otherwise I will strike you."

To Mr. Mayhew—I took the knife out of the prisoner's hand. There were marks of blood upon his clothes. We went to where another sepoy was sleeping. We pinioned the prisoner with half of my waist-cloth and took him to the chowkey. We then returned with the jemedar and other policemen to the room where Ameena was lying. A Bania named Bugla Metha came up and asked me in the presence and hearing of the prisoner, "With what did he strike?" I said, 'With this knife" and handed the knife to him. I saw him make over the knife to the sepoy.

Witness was cross-examined by Mr. Ferguson at some length.—Prisoner was about eight paces from Jeevebace's door when I stopped him. I don't know that the sepoy said he stopped him (prisoner). I was not asked before and therefore did not say that the prisoner said to me "Let me go, let me go, or else I will strike you." Before the Coroner the prisoner was quiet just as I am now.

To the Chief Justice—The prisoner appeared to me to be quite sober.

Manna, woman, examined by Mr. Lang—I live with Sewlal Piarilal in Koombartookda, next to Jeevebace's house. There is only a thin wall between the houses; and I can hear what takes place in Jeevebace's house. I knew Ameena, who is now dead, for about six months. I saw her coming to Jeevebace's house. On the morning of the 6th August last, I was sleeping with my husband in my room. I heard a cry of "I am struck, I am struck" proceeding from Jeevebace's room. I said to my husband, "Who is striking her there?" The voice of a man said from inside "I am not striking her, she is crying for nothing." I now know it was the voice of the prisoner. I told Manna to call out for a sepoy; and she did so. I heard Jeevebace cry out, "Open the door, open the door." I heard the Parsee prisoner reply, "If you give me back the rupee I gave you at night, I will open the door, or else I will not open." Jeevebace said, "Open the door, or I will call for a sepoy." Prisoner said, '